

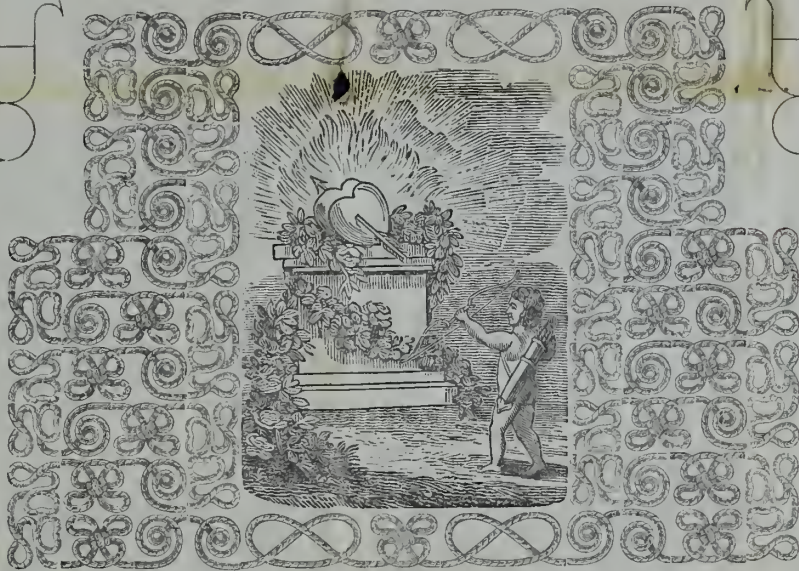
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CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.

To whom it may concern:

This Certifies, that *Marshall Dailan*
of *Manys Burch* and *Sydia Hicks*
of *Manys Burch* of *Manys Burch* assurance having
been received that no legal impediment exists to forbid the
solemnities, were, by me, united in the

BONDS OF MARRIAGE,

on the *March* the *six* day of *April* 18*81*
in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and *1881*
conformably to the Laws of Canada, in
presence of *My friends* *John* and *John* *Welltham*
Lewis Hicks
John B. Welltham Minister of the *Episcopal*
Church





*J. Frederick
W. Meinecke

Meinecke, John Henry William
b. 1/9/1744 Magdeburg
d. 1808 - Ontario

Charles b. 2/14/1763
d. 11/20/1843

Ortloff, Anne Barbara Maria

Lavalle Marguerite
b. 4/3/1765

d. 3/21/1860

*John F. W/ Meinecke was born in Magdeburgh, Germany

Gonser Milo Reo

Gonser, Reo William
9/25/1901
Beaverton, Michigan
6/20/1923

Minaker, Byron
4/12/1853

10/2/1930
Harriette, Michigan
Minaker, Annie Laura
5/12/1883

1959
Michigan

Cole ~~Ch~~, Florence Almira

9/13/1859

3/9/1937

Seney, Michigan

Minaker, Peter

Phebe

Cole, William

1823

McConnell, Roxanne
1824

, Ontario

Minaker, Charles

Hill, Ann

over

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April 16, 1975

U. E. L. Assoc. of Canada

23 Prince Arthur Ave.

Toronto, Ont. M5R 1B2

Gentlemen,

I was told by a woman I met from Picton, Ontario that I might get help from your association for our genealogical research of the Minaker family. If that is true please advise me what steps I must take and how much the fee is for this research.

I believe that my husband is a descendant of John Henry William Meinecke and of his son, John Frederick William Meinecke both of whom were enlisted with the German regiment of Burgoyne's army and were defeated at Saratoga October 18, 1777. Frederick married Marguerite Lavelle.

The British government rewarded these "Hessians" with grants of land south of the Bay of Quinte.

What we need is proof of Byron's father and grandfather (see enclosed ancestor chart).

Family tradition says that one of the Meinecke ancestors married a French girl thus explaining the "French" features that show up in each generation.

Any help you can give us will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Vera B. Gonser (Mrs. Reo W

Mrs. Reo W. Gonser

541 Warren Avenue

FLUSHING, Michigan 48433

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R. J. CHARD
BOX 693 693
NORTH BAY
ONTARIO

April 24/75

Dr Burleigh,

If you do not
wish to write
to Mrs. Gonser,
would you please
return this letter
to me, John

RAMADA[®] INN

RAMADA INNS
CANADA

Adams, Mary A 7
Ackerman, Garrett 8
Austin, Maria 8

Barton, Sophrona 4
Blakely, Hester 7
" Benjamin 8
Breakenridge Jehiel 7
Borman — 10
Cole, Elisha 3
Collier, Lydia 3
Cannon, David 3
" James M D 6.
" — 8
Cannon, Patience 4
Church, Ellen 6
" Thos. Cook 7
Margaret 4

Curry, Anne 6
Clark, Pelen 7
Chapman, Ann 7
Cooper, Elizabeth 8
Emprey Elizabeth 3
Ellis, Hiram 7

Harrison Nellie 2
" Alice 2
" Louis 5
" Angus 8
Hicks, Joseph 3.4
" Edward 3
" David 3
" William 3
" Ellen 4
" Mary J. 7
" — 10
Adelia 4

Hill, Anne 2
" Martha 4
" Sarah Eliza

Hill Silas 10
Hudgin, Maria 4
Hubbs, John 7
Hawley, Benjamin 7
Head — 10
Hudgin, Lewis 8

Kennedy, Samuel 7
Kirkpatrick, Henry 7

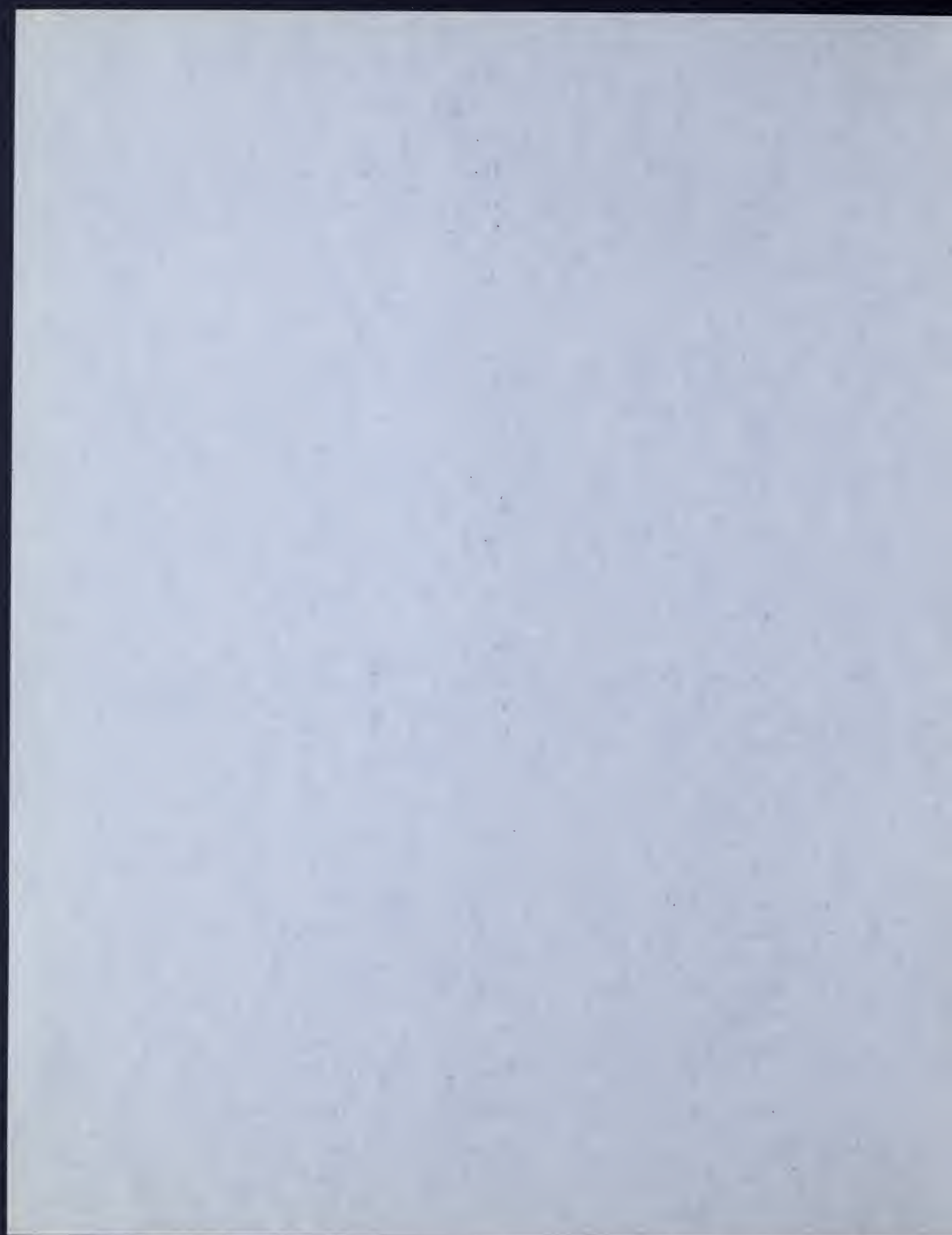
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Love, Thomas 3
" George 7
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" Charles 4
Liddell, Hattie 8
Lobb, Richard

McQuoid, Susan 3
" Catherine 8
McIntosh, Margaret 4
Daniel 4
McGrath, Susan 4
McCauley, Patrick 6
" Francis 7
MacDonald, Harriet 7
Macdonald, Hannah

Manton, Jane 3
Rosabelle 6
Munaker Andrew L. 3
Miller, Mary 8

Nethery, Sancelot 7
North, William 10

Ostloffer Anna Barbara Maria 1
Ovens, Thomas 4
Ostrander, Phoebe 6
Addie 6



Palen, Marshall 3
 " Stephen 7
 Pringle, — 10
 Pierce, Clara 5
 " Samuel 6
 Palmatier, Hester 6
 Platt, Emily 7
 Paul, George 6
 Rose Mary 1
 Mirabel
 " James 5
 Joel 6
 Peter 7
 Redner, Sarah Jane 7
 Richards, Mary 7
 Sarah 7
 Rae, Elizabeth 7
 Starks, Lantia 4
 Smiley, Margaret 4
 Stricker, Isaac 6
 Sweetman, Sophia 7
 Stutler, Esther 8

Turner, William 2.10
 Ellen 10
 Thomas, David 4
 Thompson, Christine 6
 " Rebecca 7
 Vandusen, James 5
 Vandelief, Phoebe 6
 Van Gisen, Rachael 6
 Vandewater, Mary 9
 Welbanks, Martha 6
 Thomas 6
 Elizabeth 7
 George A 9
 Wright, David 6
 " Mary 7
 Walmsley, James 7
 " William 7
 Wyatt, Miss 6

1. The first part of the paper is devoted to a general discussion of the problem of the existence of solutions of the system of equations (1) under the conditions (2). It is shown that the system (1) has a solution if and only if the conditions (2) are satisfied. The proof of this theorem is given in the next section.

2. In the second part of the paper, the problem of the uniqueness of the solution of the system (1) is considered. It is shown that the system (1) has a unique solution if and only if the conditions (2) are satisfied. The proof of this theorem is given in the next section.

3. In the third part of the paper, the problem of the stability of the solution of the system (1) is considered. It is shown that the system (1) has a stable solution if and only if the conditions (2) are satisfied. The proof of this theorem is given in the next section.

4. In the fourth part of the paper, the problem of the asymptotic stability of the solution of the system (1) is considered. It is shown that the system (1) has an asymptotically stable solution if and only if the conditions (2) are satisfied. The proof of this theorem is given in the next section.

5. In the fifth part of the paper, the problem of the boundedness of the solution of the system (1) is considered. It is shown that the system (1) has a bounded solution if and only if the conditions (2) are satisfied. The proof of this theorem is given in the next section.

6. In the sixth part of the paper, the problem of the periodicity of the solution of the system (1) is considered. It is shown that the system (1) has a periodic solution if and only if the conditions (2) are satisfied. The proof of this theorem is given in the next section.

7. In the seventh part of the paper, the problem of the almost periodicity of the solution of the system (1) is considered. It is shown that the system (1) has an almost periodic solution if and only if the conditions (2) are satisfied. The proof of this theorem is given in the next section.

8. In the eighth part of the paper, the problem of the ergodicity of the solution of the system (1) is considered. It is shown that the system (1) has an ergodic solution if and only if the conditions (2) are satisfied. The proof of this theorem is given in the next section.

9. In the ninth part of the paper, the problem of the mixing of the solution of the system (1) is considered. It is shown that the system (1) has a mixing solution if and only if the conditions (2) are satisfied. The proof of this theorem is given in the next section.

10. In the tenth part of the paper, the problem of the entropy of the solution of the system (1) is considered. It is shown that the system (1) has a solution with positive entropy if and only if the conditions (2) are satisfied. The proof of this theorem is given in the next section.

John Henry Wm
b 25.11.1734

= 1 Bleigh
s.B

Ann B M
Callaghan

d 19.12.1764

23rd 6.11.1786

Ann B. M

Callaghan

John Henry Wm.
b 17. July 1741

John Frank Wm
as 14
b 14.2.1763

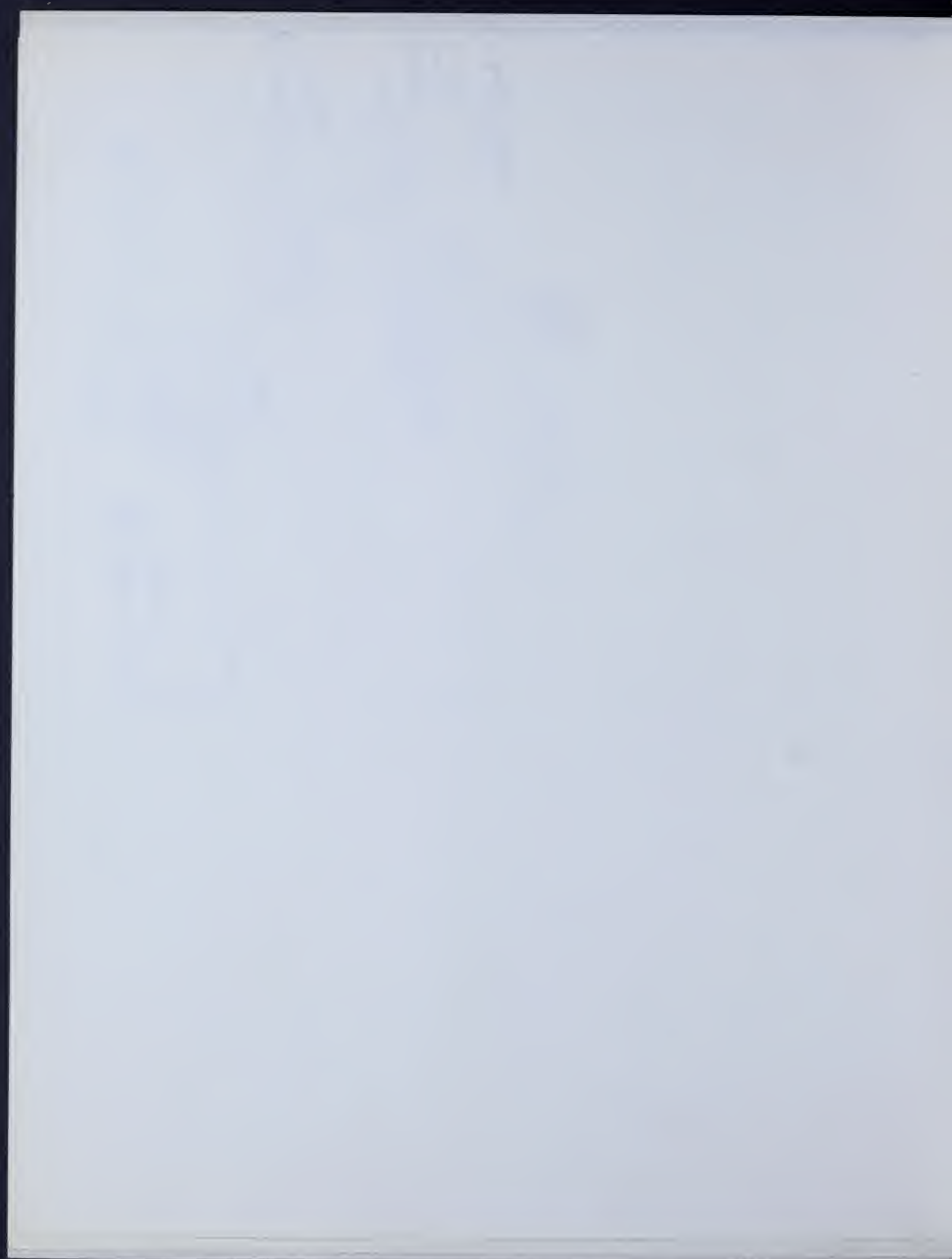
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as 8
b 1784

as 6 in
1784

? = Hyacin Callier

Sever = Mary Ann Adams.
b 1808
d 1891



Minaker Family
of
Prince Edward County.

MINAKER

1

There were two brothers, John Henry William Meinecke, born Nov. 25, 1734, and John Henry M. Meinecke, born July 17, 1741 - both in Magdeburgh. J. H. W. and his oldest son, John Frederick William Meinecke, aged 14, were enlisted with the German Regiment of Burgoyne's Army, known as Reiderel's Dragoons (gathered from Hesse + Nassau - Prussia. Regiment taken prisoners at Saratoga, Oct. 18, 1777, along with British Forces. Prisoners were returned to Europe or Canada. British Govt. supplied them with sustenance until transfer to Bay of Quinte in 1784.

Grandma Rose (Mary Minaker) tells of her great grandfather coming up the River with all his worldly possessions carried in a bundle hanging from a stick carried over his shoulder.

Fritz brought a French Canadian wife, Marguerite Lavall.

Ludovich was 8 years of age.

Andrew was 6 years of age.

The Family of John Henry William Meinecke, born in
Magdeburgh, Prussia, Nov. 25, 1734

Dec. 7, 1760 First Wife, Elizabeth, died in Magdeburgh (No issue.)

July 12, 1761, married Anna Barbara Maria Ostloff, died

Dec. 19, 1769.

Nov. 6, 1776 married " " " " (same name
as second).

Minaker Family.

2

1st generation: John Frederick William Meinecke, born Feb. 14, 1763.

Marguerite Laval, born in Quebec.

2nd generation:

15 Jan 1816

1. Charles, married Anne Hill

1. Margaret

2. Robert, (born Adolphusborn 13 Oct 1818, bapt. 11 May 1819

3. Adam.

4. Rebecca

5. Peter born Mayburg 20 March 1825

6. Elidee

7. Nazareth

8. George

9. Susan

10. Charles.

2. Peter, married Nellie Harrison

1. Hannah.

2. Henry.

3. Archibald.

3. Frederick, married Alice Harrison.

1. Mary

2. Martha

3. John.

4. Robert

5. Cornelia

6. Elizabeth

7. Walter

8. Charlotte.

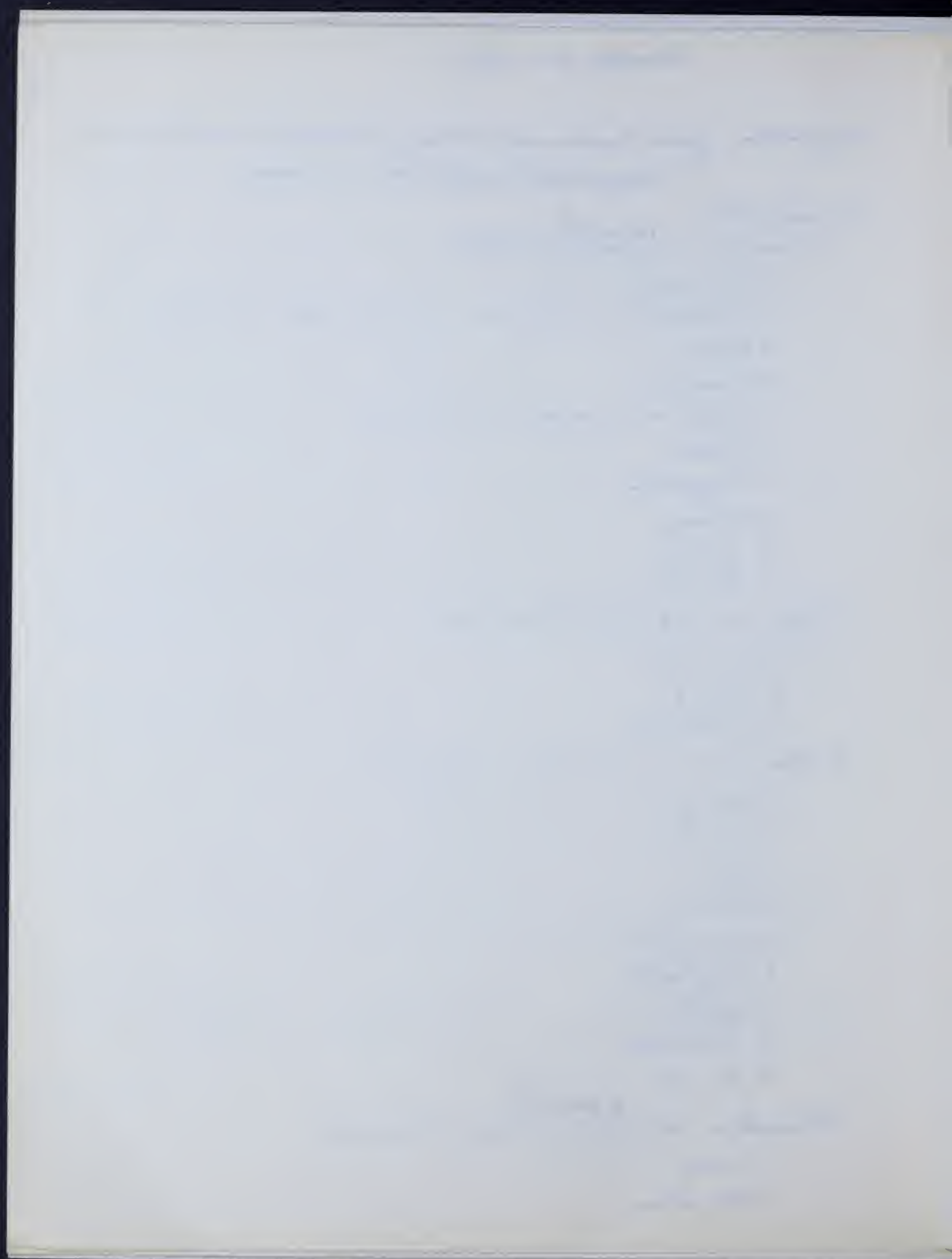
9. David.

4 Jan. 1820

4. Sophia, married William Turner.

1. Mary

2. Cornelius.



Minaker Family

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3. William

4. Ellen

5. Sophia

5. Mary, married Elisha Cole

1. Charles Minaker Cole.

2. Luke

3. Henry

4. Minerva

5. Mary.

6. Lizette, married Edward Hicks.

1. Isaiah

2. Matilda

3. Henry Minaker

4. David

5. Margaret

6. John E.

The Family of John Christopher Sudovick, born at sea, or
1st generation after he reached Three Rivers March 26, 1776
married Lydia Collier.

1. Nancy, born March 17, 1799, married William Hicks.

1. Elizabeth Hicks, married David Cannon.

2. Lewis " " Elizabeth Empey.

3. Ellen " " Joseph Hicks.

4. William H. " " Susan McQuoid.

5. Phoebe A. " " Thos. Love.

6. Mary J. " " Andrew L. Minaker.

7. Orrin " " Jane Martin

2. Hannah, born Sept. 12, 1802, married David Hicks.

1. Lydia Hicks ^{6 Mar 1849} married Marshall Palen.



Minaker Family

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2. Etta Hicks.
3. Nathman " married Margaret M^cIntosh.
4. Mahala "
5. Collingwood " married Lantha Starks.
6. Elizabeth " " David Thomas.
7. Byron "
8. Patience " " Daniel M^cIntosh.

3. Mary, born Nov. 17, 1804, married Joseph Hicks.

1. Elsie Hicks married Joseph Lacey.
2. Peter " " Martha Hill.
3. George " " Margaret Smiley.
4. Joseph " " Ellen Hicks.
5. Sylvester "
6. Lydia " " Charles Lacey.
7. Alva " " Maria Hudgin.
8. Mary A. " " Thos. Owens.
9. Calvin " " Sophrona Burton.
10. Alfred " " Adelia Hicks.

4. George Minaker^b, Feb. 13, 1807, married^{14 Dec. 1831} Susan McGrath.

1. Elizabeth.
2. Lydia (em. born 15 Aug 1834, kept 9 Sept 1835.
3. Mary
4. Margaret
5. Hannah
6. George
7. Daniel
8. Edwin
9. Sarah
10. Elida
11. Richard

5. Peter Minaker, married Patience Carson.

1. David.



Minaker Family.

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2. James
3. Phoebe
4. Calvin
5. Clarissa
6. Isabella married Jas. Vandusen — Owen Sound.
 1. Millicent A.
 2. Lydia J.
 3. Henry.
 4. Abram.
 5. Conrad
 6. Jacob J.
 7. Ernest.
7. William Minaker, married Lois Harrison.
 1. Melissa
 2. Lydia
 3. Ann Eliza
 4. Norman
 5. Leslie
 6. Ella.
8. Lewis Minaker, married Clara Pierce (lived on Homestead).
 1. Levi.
 2. Cynthia
 3. Peter
 4. Eliza
9. Phoebe Minaker, married James Rose.
 1. Elizabeth
 2. Peter J.
 3. Margaret
 4. Lydia
 5. Albert
 6. Lewis E.



Minaker Family

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10. Lydia Minaker, married Samuel Pierce.

1. Isabel.

(several others drowned at Smith's Bay, July 8, 1866)

David J. Pierce.

George A. Pierce

Patience

William Lewis

11. Alice married Jacob Rose — settled near Owen Sound.

The Family of John Christian Andrew Meinecke — three
1st gen. Rivers, Oct. 18, 1778

married Phoebe Ostrander.

2nd generation

1. John Minaker, married 1st Phoebe Vandeief.
2nd Martha Walbanks.

Children of 1st wife

- | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Andrew Minaker, married Rachael Van Gesen | Andrew b 11 Feb 1826
bp 6 Mar 1827 |
| 2. Jesse " " | Ellen Church. |
| 3. Carrie " " | David Wright. |
| 4. Henry " " | Hester Palmater. |
| 5. Thomas (b. 5 Mar 1834 bp 5 Oct 1834) | Christine Thompson |
| 6. Palen " " | Annie Currie |
| 7. Susan " " | Patrick McCulley. |
| 8. George " " | Rosabelle Martin. |

Children of 2nd wife

9. Hannah Minaker married George Paul — salesman?
10. Lewis " " 1st Addie Ostrander,
2nd Miss Wycott.

2. Sarah Minaker married Thos Walbanks.

1 Margaret married Isaac Striker

2. Lemira married Jas. Cannon, M. D.



Minaker Family.

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3. Hamilton married Sarah Jane Redner.
 4. Thomas " Mary Wright.
 5. Andrew, died young.
 6. Calvin, married Rebecca Thompson.
 7. Hiram " 1st Emily Platt.
2nd Hester Blakely.
 8. Gertrude, married Stephen Pallen.
 9. Emily " Hiram Ellis.
 10. Belvedere.
 11. Mary E. married John Hubbs.
3. Gertrude Minaker, married Pallen Clark.
1. Mehitabel, married Jehiel Breakenridge.
 2. Isabel, married Jas. Walmsley.
 3. Phoebe, " William Walmsley.
 4. Sarah, " Lancelot Nethery.
 5. Paul " Elizabeth Walbanks.
 6. Susan " Benjamin Hawley.
 7. Maria " Samuel Kennedy.
 8. Gemina " Thos. Cook Church.
 9. Pallen " Mary Richards.
 10. Gertrude " Francis McAuley.
 11. Andrew " 1st Sarah Richards
2nd Sophia Sweetman.
4. Lewis Minaker married Mary A. Adams.
1. Eliza, married Henry Kirkpatrick
Lewis and Mary.
 2. Mary, married Peter Rose.
 3. Andrew, married Mary J. Hicks
 4. James, " Ann Chapman.
 5. Samuel, " Harriet MacDonald.
 6. Eliphelet " Elizabeth Rae.
 7. Gertrude " George Love.



Minaker Family.

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8 William, M.D., married 1st. Esther Striker.
2nd Elizabeth Cooper.

9. Charles W., married Catherine McQuoid.

10. Sarah, " Angus Harrison.

11. Rodman " 1st Mary Miller.
2nd Hattie Siddell.

5. Samuel Minaker, married Maria Austin.

1. Gemina (Ann, born 26 Oct 1832 bapt. 4 Nov 1834)

2. Lucy. (Jane born 12 July 1834, bapt. 4 Nov 1834)

3. Phoebe

4. Albert

5. Sanford

6. Adelia

7. Sarah Eliza.

8. Emma

9. Maude.

10. Isaac

11. John.

6. Gemina Minaker married Garrett Ackerman.

1. Samuel

2. Joseph

3. Mary Amelia

4. Benjamin F.

5. Isaac Newton.

7. Hannah Minaker married 1st Benjamin Blakely
2nd Lewis Hudgin.

1 Thomas Blakely.

2. Phoebe Blakely — Cannon.

3. Andrew Blakely.

4 Eleanora Blakely

5. Gemina Hudgin.



Minaker Family.

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8. Almira Minaker married Richard Lobb.

1. William E. Lobb (Captain).
2. Albert Lobb.
3. Marcus Lobb
4. Vivian +
- 5 John Lobb.

9. Phoebe Delila Minaker married George A. Welbanks.

1. Susan H. Welbanks.
2. George A. Welbanks.
3. Charles Welbanks.
4. Alice Welbanks.
5. Agnes Welbanks.
6. Mary Calista Welbanks.
7. Adelaide Welbanks.

10. Captain Andrew Welbanks, married 1st Margaret Church.

2nd Hannah Macdonald.

By first wife

1. William
2. Eliza
3. James.
4. Mary

By second wife

5. George
6. John
7. Walter
8. Franklin
9. Nancy
10. Vinetta

11. Isaac Minaker married Mary Vandewater

no issue.



Baptisms + Marriages

by

Rev W^m Case, Preston, 1810-1837

James Minaker (Swordians) Frederick + Mary Minaker
b. Marysburg 20.11.1817 baptized 11.5.1819

- Robert Hill, son of Charles + Anna Minaker
b. Adolphusdown 13 Oct 1818, baptized 11 May 1819

- Peter, son of Charles + Anna Minaker
born 20 Mar 1825, all of Marysburg

- Andrew, son of John + Phoebe Minaker
born 11 Feb 1826, baptized 6 March 1827

- Lydia Ann, daughter of George + Susan Minaker,
born 15 Aug 1834, baptized 9 Sept 1835

- Lydia Ann, daughter of George + Susan Minaker
born 15 Aug 1834 baptized 9 Sept 1835

- Thomas, son of John + Phoebe Minaker
born 5 March 1834; baptized 5 October 1834

- Jennema Ann, daughter of Samuel + Maria Minaker
born 26 Oct., 1832; baptized 4 Nov 1834

- Lucia Jane, daughter of Samuel + Maria Minaker
born 12 July 1834; baptized 4 Nov 1834



CHILDREN of WILLIAM TURNER and SOPHIA MINAKER... *Married Jan 1820, both of Fredericksburg Township*

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|------------------|----------------------------|-----------|
| 1. Mary...Born.. | Married William North.. | Died.. |
| 2. Cornelius... | | |
| 3. William.. | Married Sarah Eliza Hill.. | |
| 4. Ellen.. | Married Silas Hill... | |
| 5. Sophia.. | Married | Head..... |
| 6. Phoebe.. | Married..... | Borman... |
| 7. Catherine... | Married Peter Pringle.... | |

CHILDREN of HILL and.....

- | | | |
|--------------------------|--|---------|
| 1. Sarah Eliza....Born.. | Married William Turner... <i>Jan 1820</i> | Died... |
| 2. Melissa.. | Married Ranney; Corey, Penn.
(Family..Elizabeth and Grace.) | |
| 3. Abbie.. | Married Hicks... | |
| 4. Silas.. | Married Ellen Turner
(sister of William Turner) | |

1. The first of these is the fact that the
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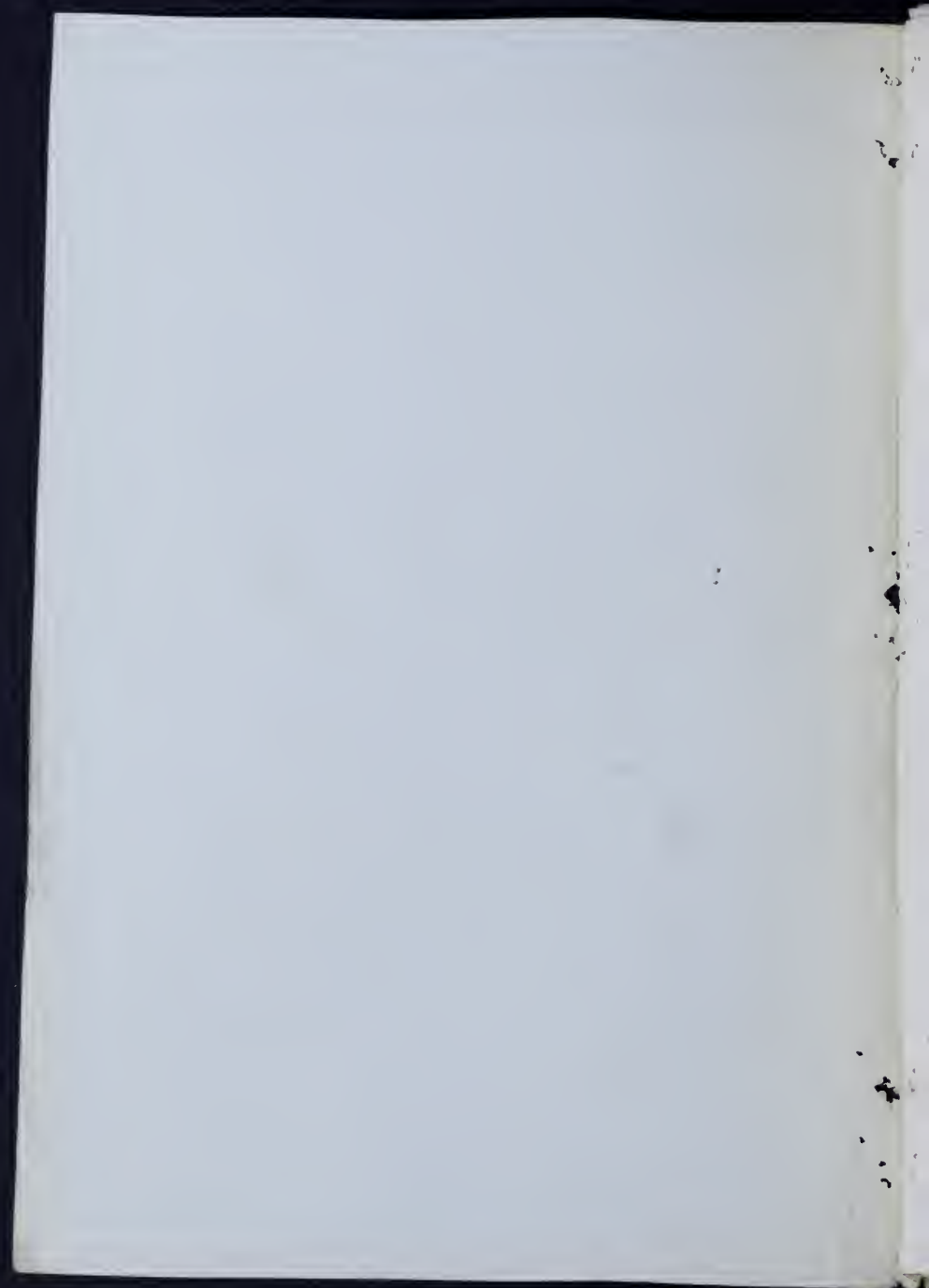
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The
Minaker Farm



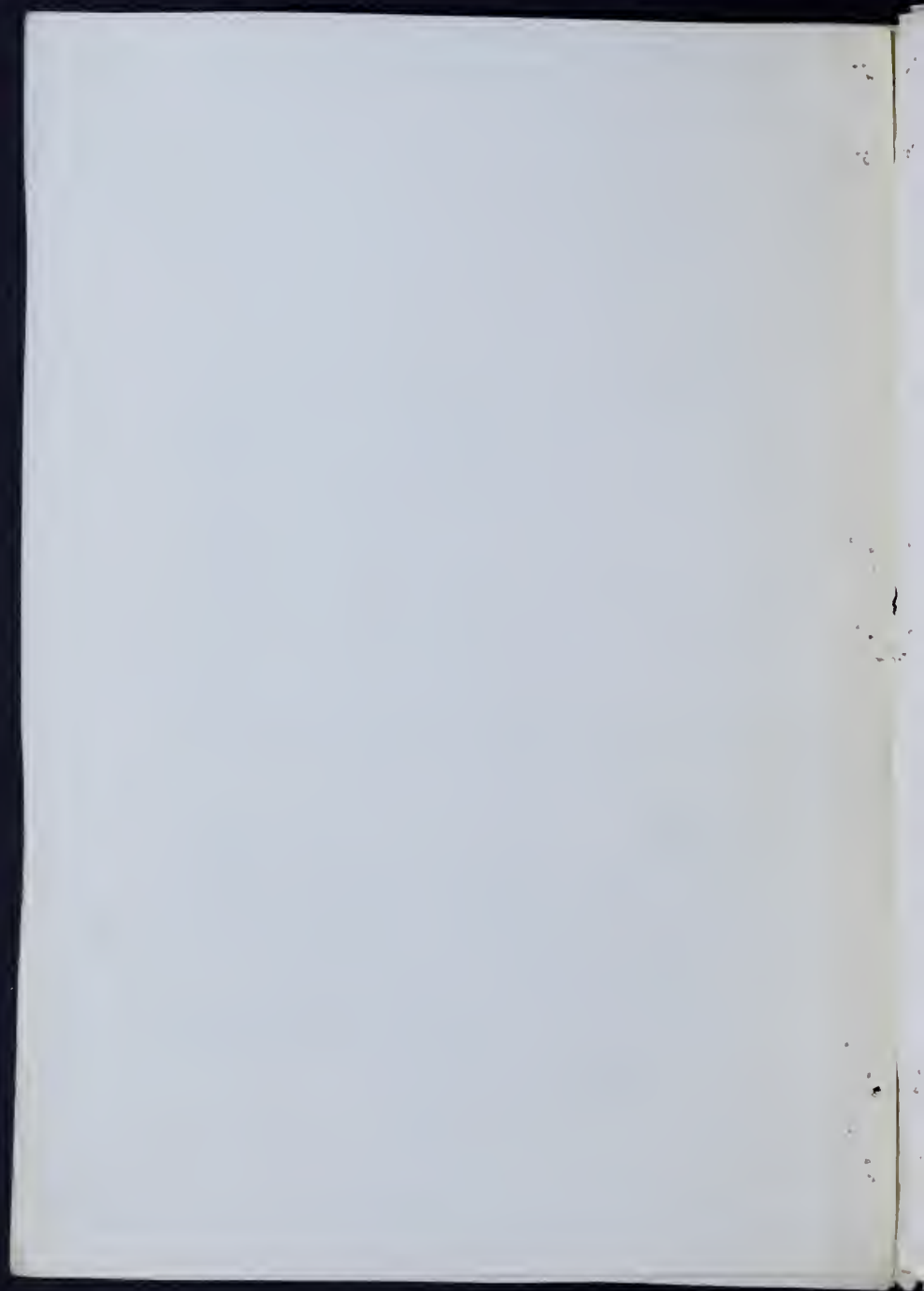
By DR. A. ROSE
58 Malvern Ave., Toronto 13.





WHERE PIONEER MINAKERS REST

Can I stand better,
Facing fearful odds,
The ashes of his fathers,
And the temples of his Gods?
Granville.



MINAKER FAMILY RECORD

A reliable translation of the family record ~~was~~ made by the ancestor of the Minaker family, John Henry William Meineke, a soldier of Reidessell's Regiment, attached to General Burgoyne's army which was beaten by General Gates of the Revolutionary forces and surrendered at Saratoga, October, 18th, 1777.

Items selected:

Magdeburgh, 25 Nov., 1734

I, John Henry William Meineke was born.

Magdeburgh, Feb. 9th, 1744

My dear mother fell asleep in her Redcemer at 5 minutes to 9 o'clock.

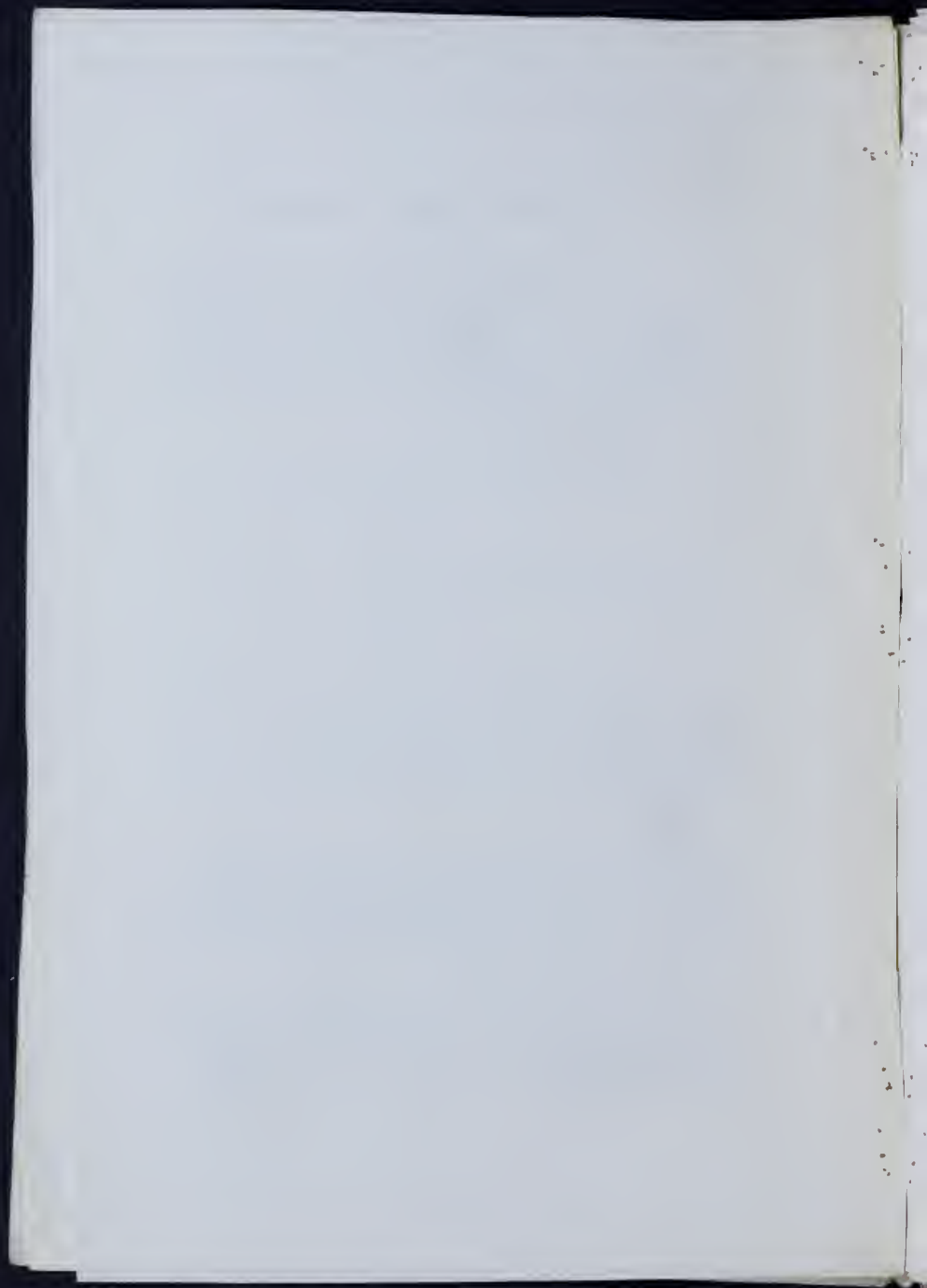
Magdeburgh, 26th Sept., 1754

My dear father died at a quarter to 7 o'clock, etc.

Showing a fully authenticated family record had been made by John Henry William Meineke who was born 199 years ago, on Nov. 25, 1733, or 200 years ago, Nov. 25, 1734—the centenary anniversary of the City of Toronto's inauguration.

There are few such as well authenticated records of a pioneer family of Ontario in actual existence. These records note the births of members of the family made by the pioneer from 1734 to 1807, and fairly complete records of their descendants exist to the present generation, the eighth or ninth in the family history.

The resting place of this pioneer, his last wife and his oldest son and his wife and family, is shown in the cut, and pleads to all interested descendants for better surroundings and recognition.

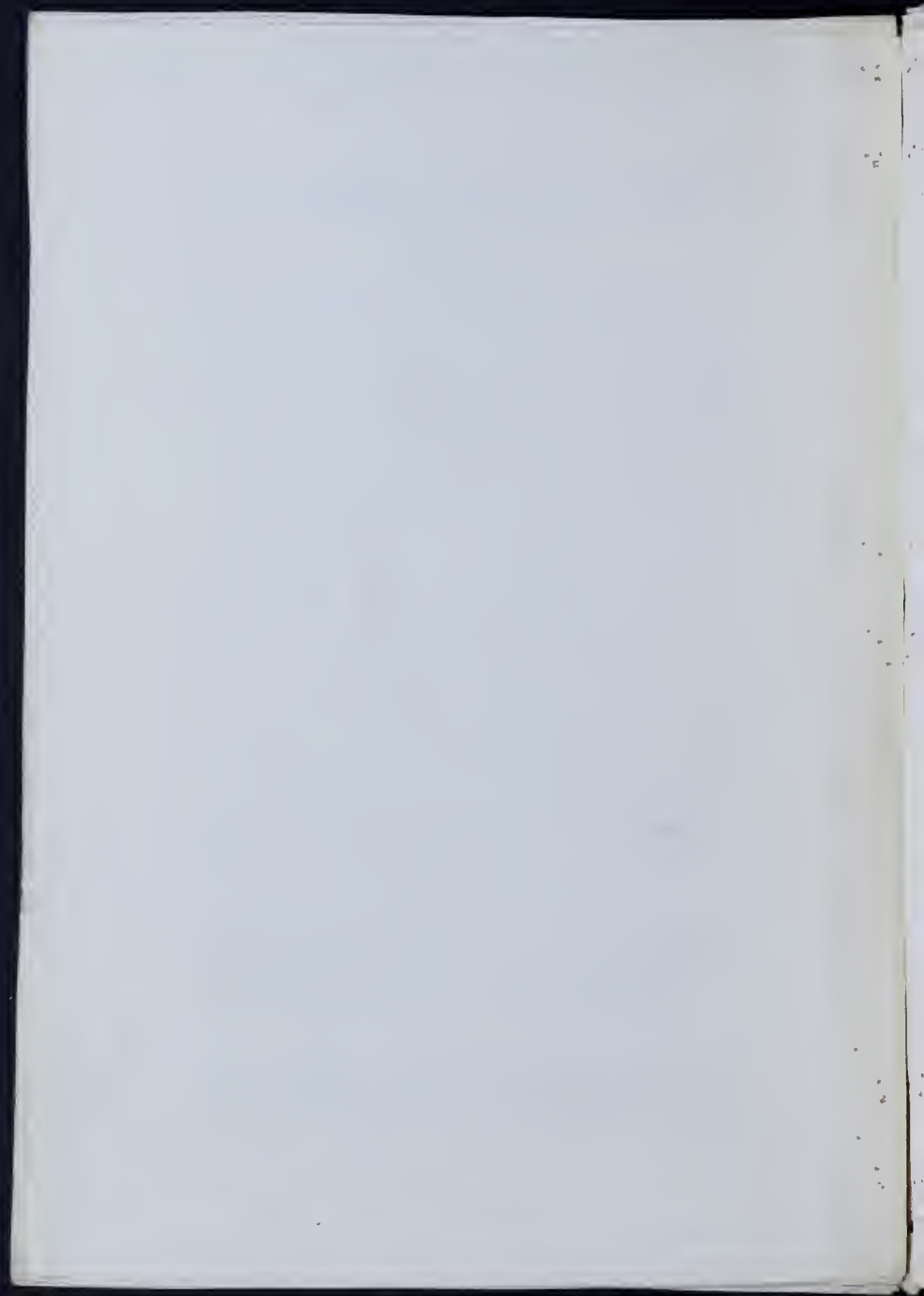


THE MINAKER FAMILY.

(BY DR. A. ROSE)

This sketch of the history of the Meinecke or the Minaker family is republished with the accompanying cut or print of the spot where the mortal remains of the family of pioneers were laid to rest, and some of them marked with marble slabs bearing inscriptions which the writer was able to decipher after cleaning away the moss and grime of 73 years accretion. That on the stone to the right in the print, slanting badly from the effect of the growth of a maple tree close to the stone, which stood there a few years ago and the stump of which is shown close to the stone, is "Margaret Minaker, born April 3rd, 1765, Died March 21st, 1860, aged 94 years, 10 mos., 21 dys." This stone marks the resting place of the remains of Margaret Lavallo, wife of John Frederick William Meinecke, born February 14th, 1763, at Magdeburgh, Prussia. She was a French Canadian and grandmother of Mr. Henry Minaker (Hick), son of Lizette Minaker, and Edward Hicks. The inscription on the next stone to the left of first stone is "In memory of Frederick Minaker, who died Nov. 20th, 1843, aged 80 years, 9 mos.," thus corresponding with the record of his father, John Henry William, who records his birth as being February 14th, 1763. He was husband of Margaret Minaker, noted on the first stone to the right in cut. The small stone bears the inscription, "In memory of Sophia Minaker, who died July 10th, 1849, aged 2 years, 9 mos." She was evidently a daughter of Alley, wife of Frederick Minaker whose resting place is beneath the 4th stone to left of the others on the print, and reads: "Alley wife of Frederick Minaker, born June 1st, 1815, Died Oct. 21st, 1857, aged 42 yrs., 4 mos., 20 dys." This Frederick was a son of J. F. W. Minaker whose resting place is beneath the second stone.

The graves of John Henry William Meinecke and his wife, Anna Barbara Ortloff, were immediately to the

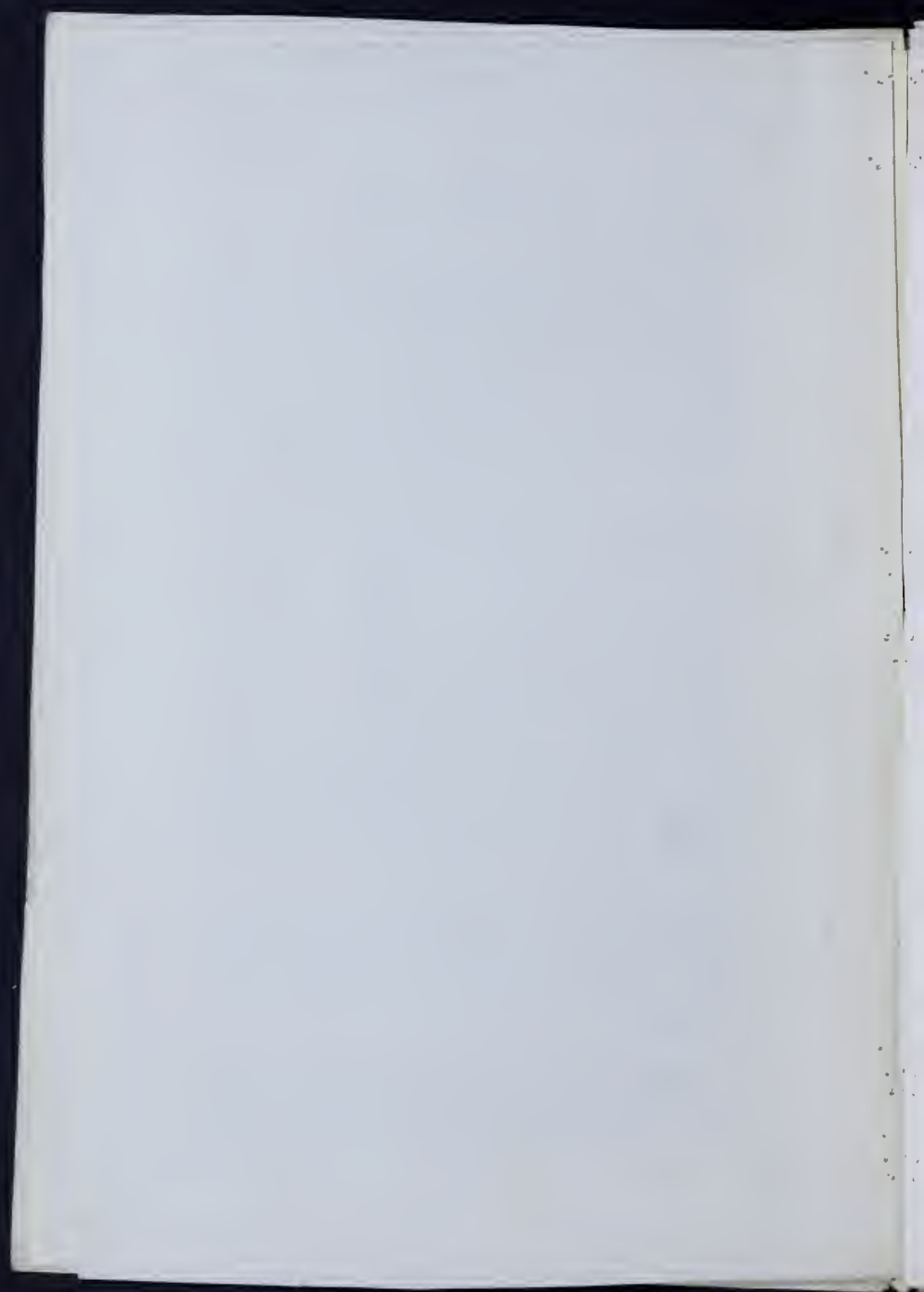


right of the first stone, as nearly as can now be learned, as no stone exists to mark the places, and some evidences existed there when the writer first visited the place some 10 years ago. There were then some flat lime stones, apparently marking graves to the east of the footstones of the graves with the monumental stones described above, but no names were there to say whose they were. There probably were graves of others, neighbors perhaps, of the family, buried in the plot, now covered with brush and rubbish, piled on the plot and left as part of the burial ground.

The writer has been to considerable expense of time and means to preserve this historical record of the pioneers of this family and to connect it with the visible marks of their resting places and homes where they settled among the first settlers of the first 5 townships of the Bay of Quinte District in 1784, and whose descendants have since joined the multitude of peoples who make up the population of Canada, and I may say of America. One hundred and fifty years have passed, and the number of the descendants of these first settlers are now of the sixth and seventh generations—probably thousands of them. The writer leaves the matter of marking the scenes of their earliest activities and resting places of their pioneer dead, with their living descendants, and hopes this anniversary semi-centennial year may find some response, and will be pleased indeed to assist still further.

He is very pleased to acknowledge the assistance of several interested friends in this work and the assurance of further aid if more of this line is contemplated. The Editor of The Times and Mr. G. M. Hicks have given material assistance where the writer's need was evident to these friends.

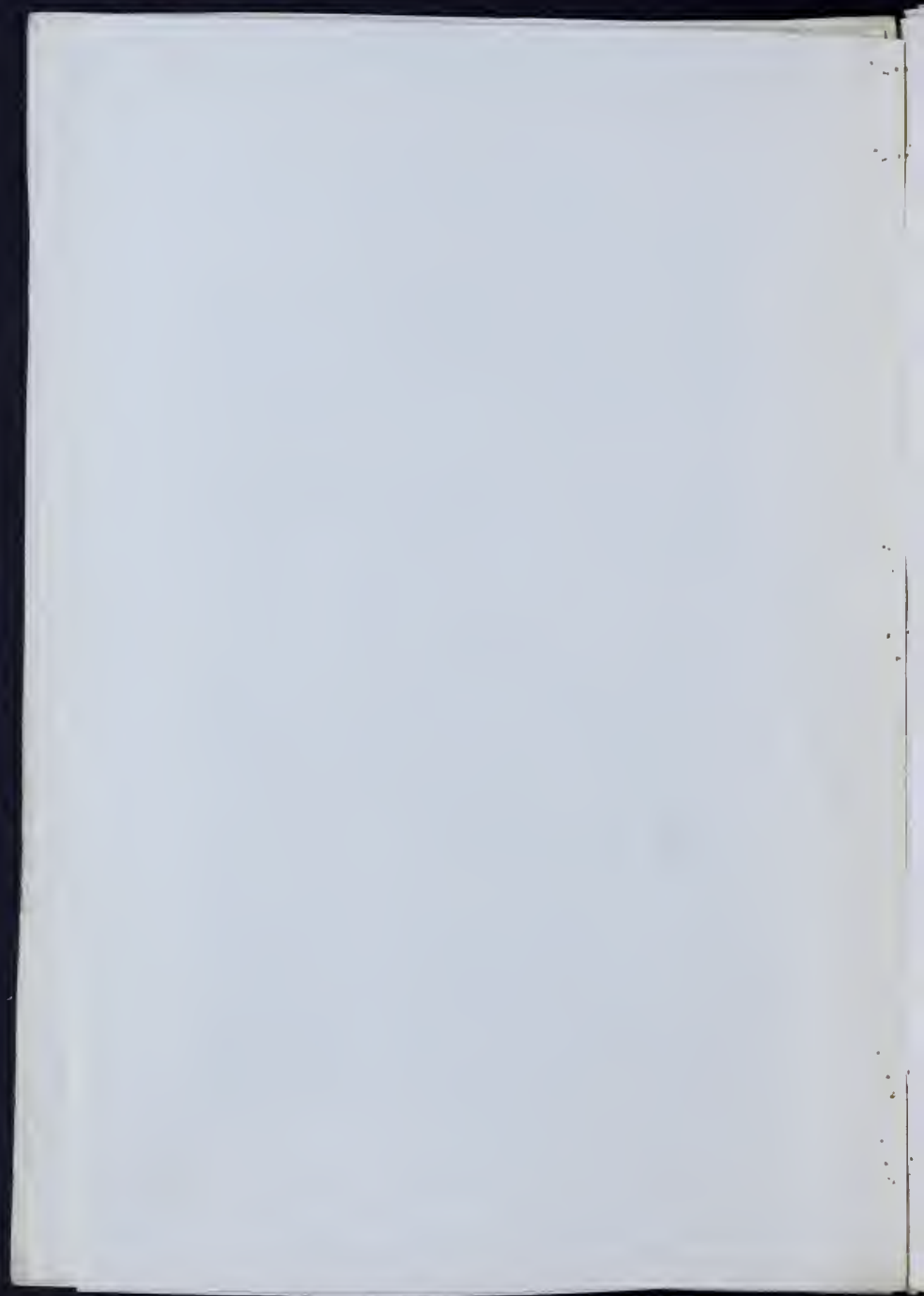
Probably no family from among the German soldiers who remained in America at the close of the Revolutionary War has more descendants scattered over the continent,



than the Minaker family—the greater number being citizens of the Dominion of Canada.

The progenitors of this family were John Henry William Meinecke and his three sons—John Frederick William, John Christopher Ludovick, and John Christian Andrew. The father, John Henry William Meinecke, was born in Magdeburgh, Nov. 25, 1734. His mother died in that city, Feb. 9th, 1744, and his father, Sept. 26th, 1754, when he (J.H.W.M.) was 20 years of age or nearly so.

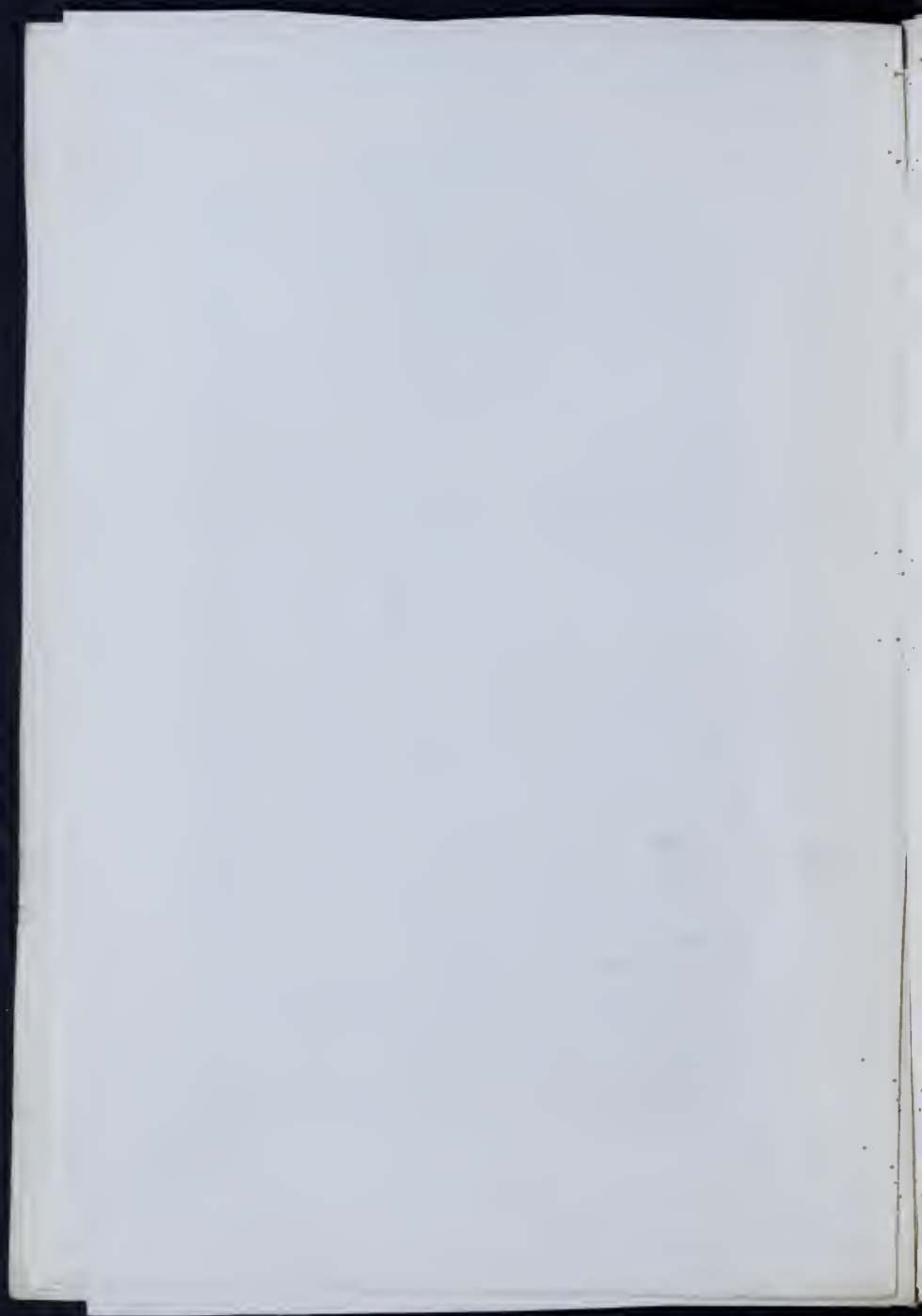
He had one brother, John Henry M— Meinecke, born in 1741, July 17th, of him no further record is left. If he lived to manhood he probably remained in Prussia as Magdeburgh was a somewhat important city on the river Elbe, in Prussia, and the home of the Meinecke family for generations. John Henry William Meinecke married a maiden Elizabeth (surname not decipherable from the record left by him) at Muhligen, April 24th, 1755. To them were born two sons, both of whom died in infancy—did also two daughters. And on Dec. 7, 1760, his wife Elizabeth, died at Magdeburgh. He did not long remain bereft of a companion for on July 12th, 1761, he married the maiden Anne Barbara Maria Ortloff— and on Feb. 1763, their son, John Frederick William Meinecke, was born. Then following in due time, two more sons and three daughters were born, and at Magdeburgh on Dec. 1769, his second wife died, and the two other sons and one daughter also died, leaving him only one son, John Frederick William Meinecke. The next entry in his record records his marriage to the maiden Anne Barbara Maria Ortloff on Nov. 6th, 1770. This wife was probably either a sister or perhaps niece to the other, of the same name. The birth of a daughter is recorded. This last daughter was baptized Joanna Dorothea Sophia Meinecke but yet an infant died baptized and blessed as was the case of a son, John Abraham Meinecke, who died in 1771.



Then occurs the birth of John Christopher Ludovick on the 26th of March, 1776—tradition says either at sea on the voyage to America or, (from other family sources) at Three Rivers, Lower Canada, where the family resided while John Henry William Meinecke and John Frederick William, his oldest son, then 14 years old, were enlisted with the German regiment of Burgoyne's army, known as Reidessels Dragoons. This regiment had been placed at the service of the British Government when the thirteen States of America declared their independence and war with Britain was begun. These were the days after the time of Frederick the Great of Prussia, who had created from the various States, Duchies and Principalities of Northern Germany, and the Kingdom of Prussia, a power henceforth to be reckoned with in the affairs of Europe. His army had proved their fortitude and skill as soldiers in the seven years' war with France and Austria, and now, being unemployed, this regiment, gathered from the Principalities of Hesse and Nassau and Prussia, were sent to Canada to be employed in subjugation of the rebellious Americans. They, however, failed to accomplish the object of their enlistment with Burgoyne and were taken prisoners at Saratoga, October 18, 1777, along with the British forces. Some of them managed to escape to Canada, particularly some of them left to keep the line of communication open with their Canadian base of supplies. The main body of the army, about 6,000 soldiers were sent as prisoners to Boston and thence to a camp on the Brandywine River in Virginia, until the British Government acknowledged their defeat and the prisoners were returned either to Europe or to Canada where the government provided them with sustenance until the transfer to the Bay of Quinte in 1784.

The birth of John Christian Andrew Meinecke is recorded Oct. 18, 1778, (just a year after the surrender at Saratoga), at Three Rivers, Canada.

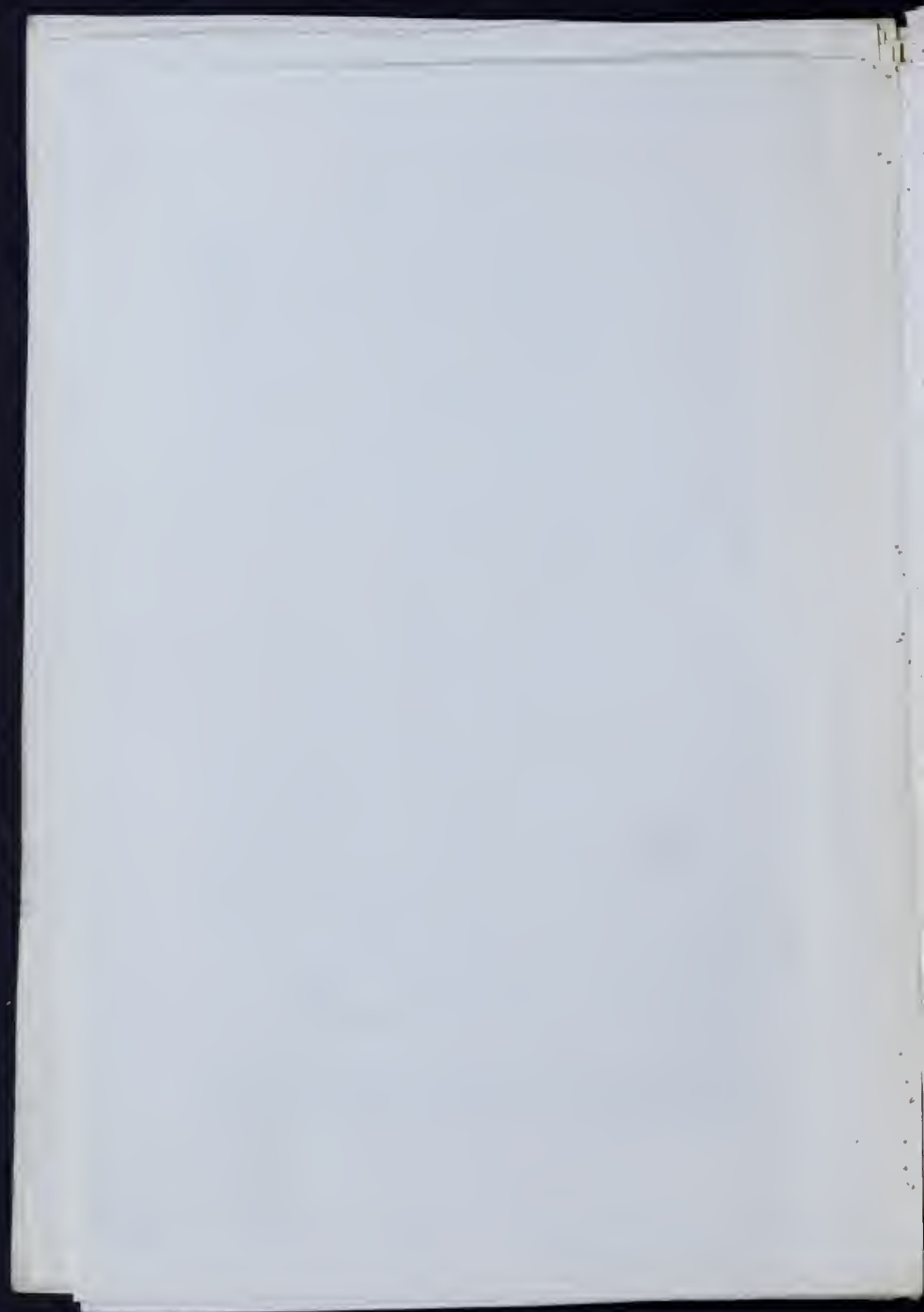
After the Peace of Paris was concluded in 1783 and



the soldiers engaged in the war were withdrawn from the field, they were concentrated in New York and a general migration from the States was begun, to the neighboring provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and to Canada by the people of the States who were opposed to the revolution. The military were sent to stations in the West Indies, to England and to Canada where garrisons were maintained. Several thousand of the troops and Loyalists were assembled at Sorel, in Lower Canada in the fall of 1783 where supplies were distributed to maintain them until the spring of 1784 when they were transferred to the Bay of Quinte and distributed over the first five townships, afterwards extended surveys made up the ten townships about the bay, and the home of the U. E. Loyalists and military pioneers of this district.

The Minaker family came to Marysburgh at this time and consisted of John Henry William Meinecke and his wife and three sons. John Frederick William, afterwards known as "Fritz," John Christopher Ludovick or "Uncle Ludovick" and John Christian Andrew. Fritz brought with him a French Canadian wife (as did Ebenezer Washburn and others), Marguerite Lavelle, being then twenty-nine years of age. The younger sons were eight and six years of age respectively and grew to manhood in the environment of pioneer conditions in Marysburgh. The Minaker's homestead grants consisted of several hundred acres in the 1st concession south of Bay of Quinte, and lying immediately west of the cross road running south from the Bay to the shore of Lake Ontario and meeting the main road running east and west on the north shore of the Lake at a point just where this road descends the hill to the level of Pleasant or Indian Point—now known as Cressy—for generations as "Below the Rock"—to the eastward.

The home was built less than a hundred yards from the bay shore and east of a hill perhaps 100 feet above the bay, and to the top. The land here rises southward to a level



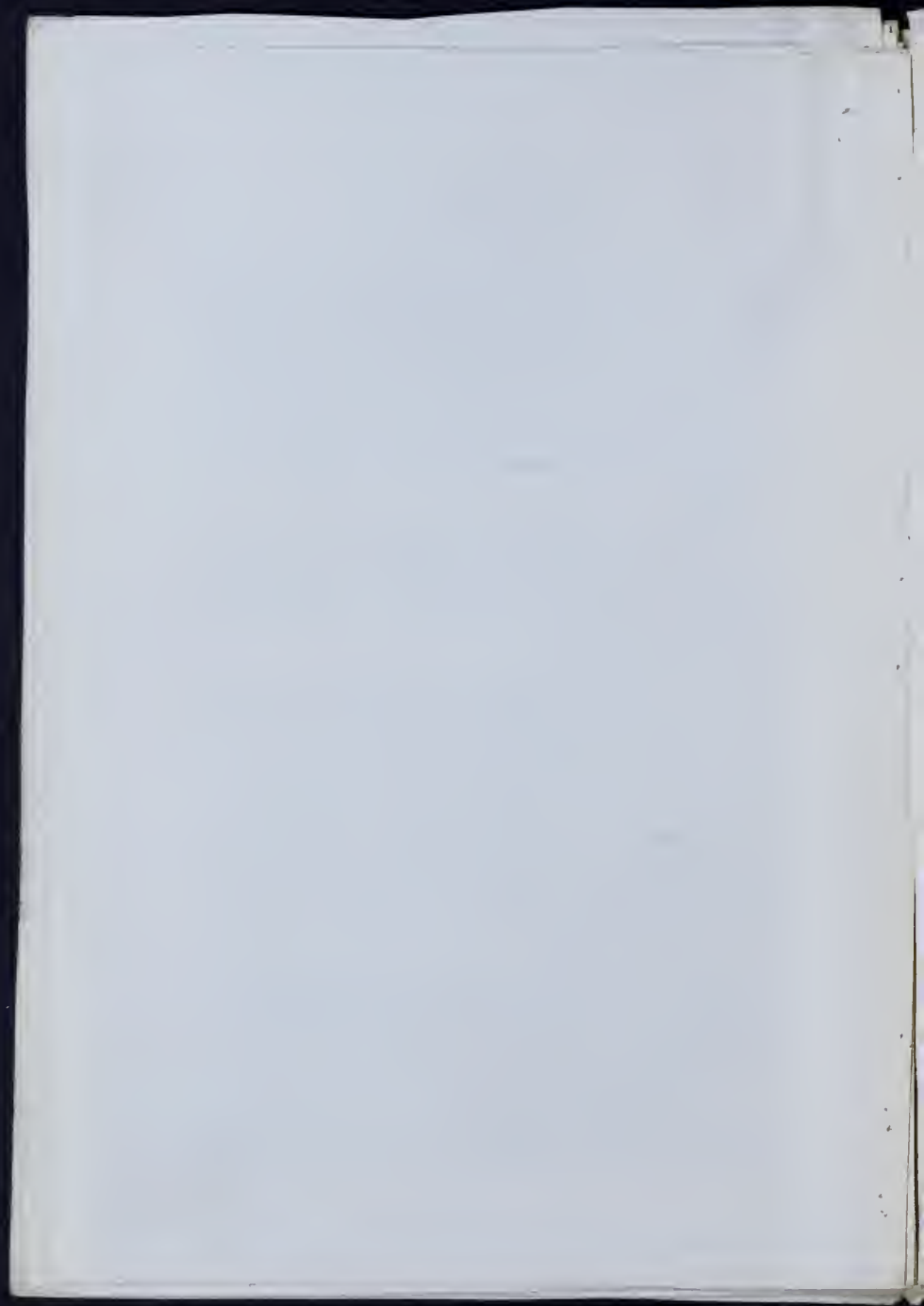
with this hill and was doubtlessly the first part of the grant on a point cleared for cultivation, being near the house. Just to the west of the house was constructed a wharf or dock which was a calling place for the first steamboats on the Bay. At this homestead lived and died the father, John Henry William Meinecke and his third wife, and after them the second son, John C. Ludovick or "Uncle Ludovick" or "Lewis" whose wife was Lydia Collier, daughter of a soldier of the 29th Regiment, and their family of eleven children.

The western part of this section granted to the family was occupied by John Frederick William and family or "Fritz", and afterwards divided between his children, John Christopher Ludovick or—Ludowick—Lewis, inheriting the homestead. John Frederick William Meinecke reared a family of six children.

When John Christian Andrew Meinecke grew to manhood he obtained a grant of land in the concession between Black River and South Bay and between the Jarvis estate on the east and the head of the bay, and erected his home near the bay on the lot first west of the Cooper estate and here he took his wife Phoebe Ostrander, about 1799, when he was 21 years of age. She was the daughter of a soldier of the Revolutionary War, and here he lived to a ripe old age, having reared family of ten children who lived, married and raised families among the second generation of Prince Edward County pioneers.

J. C. Andrew Minaker and Ludovick, his brother, marrying English speaking wives, and having been reared for the greater part of their youth among the English speaking people of Marysburgh used English in their family life and associations.

J. Frederick William, having married a French Canadian wife and lived for seven years in Lower Canada acquired a speaking knowledge of the French tongue, and



as his wife knew the French better than either the German or English the speech of his family was usually French until the family grew up. For this reason "Fritz's" family were considered French and much misunderstanding concerning them arose. The reference to him in "Pioneer Life on the Bay of Quinte," published by Rolph Clark Co., 1906, is entirely unreliable and visionary.

The land to the east of the crossroad before mentioned was granted to Conrad Bongard, a comrade of the Meineckes, and an artillery officer and gunner in the Burgoyne army, and one of Reidesel's soldiers, and many of the other German troops who chose to remain in America with their Loyalist friends, had grants in this township and formed a small colony of German settlers in this vicinity, and erected the first church in Marysburgh on the Rose homestead, Lakeside, where the services of the Reformed Lutheran faith were conducted until the incoming of many Loyalists introduced Methodism, and gradually the German population became too few to support a congregation and church in the neighbourhood.

The children of John Frederick William Meinecke and Marguerite Cavalle, were as follows:

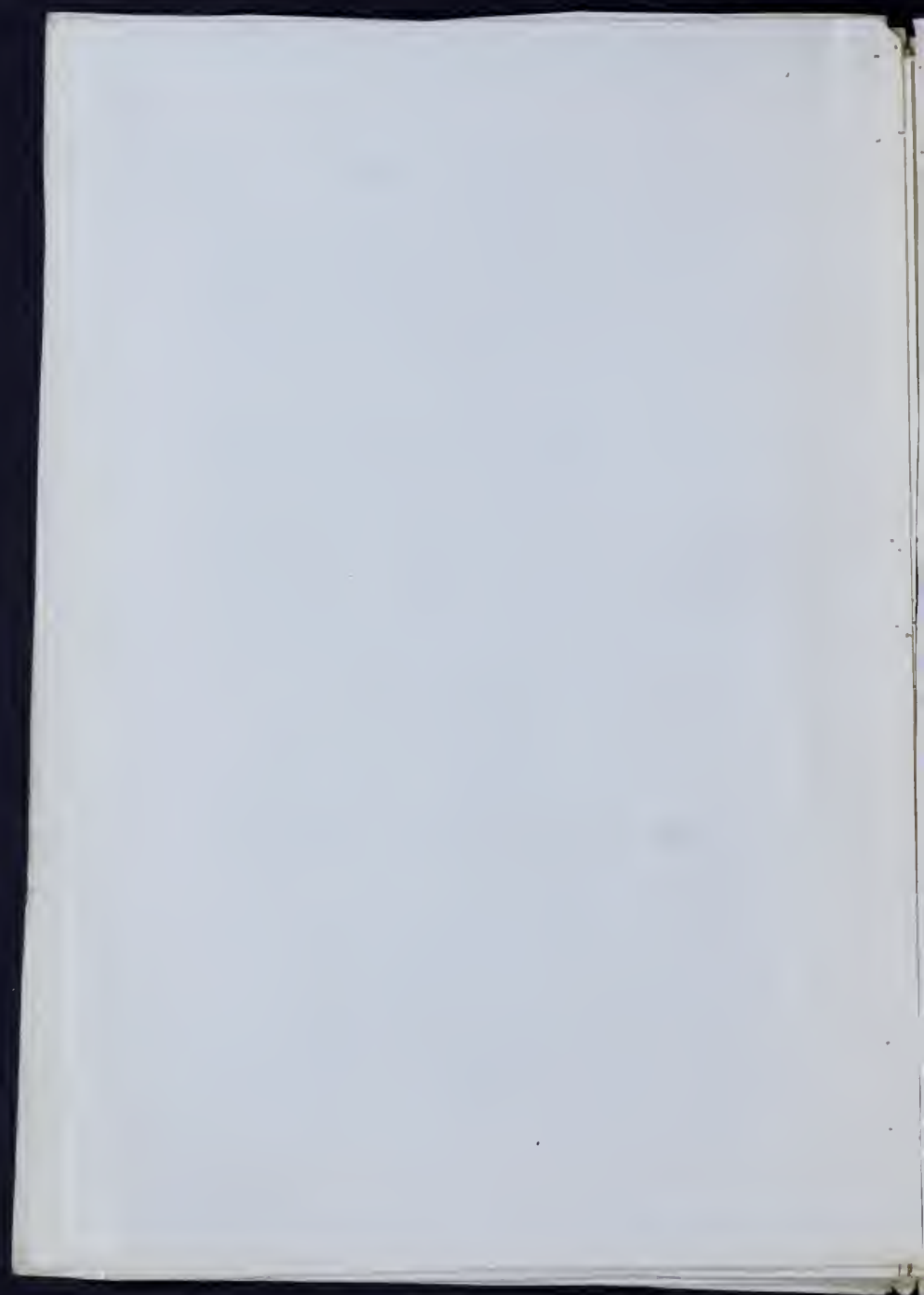
1. Charles married Anne Hill. Issue, (a) Margaret, (b) Robert, (c) Adam, (d) Rebecca, (e) Peter, (f) Elida, (g) Nazareth, (h) George E., (i) Susan, (j) Charles.

2. Peter married Nellie Harrison. Issue (a) Hannah, (b) Henry, (c) Archibald.

3. Frederick married Alice Harrison. Issue, (a) Mary, (b) Martha, (c) John, (d) Robert, (e) Cornelia, (f) Elizabeth, (g) Walter, (h) Charlotte, (i) David.

4. Sophia married William Turner. Issue, (a) Mary, (b) Cornelius, (c) William, (d) Ellen, (e) Sophia.

5. Mary married Elisha Cole. Issue, (a) Charles, (b) Luke, (c) Henry, (d) Minerva, (e) Mary.



6. Lizette married Edward Hicks. Issue, (a) Isaiah, (b) Matilda, (c) Henry Minaker, (d) David, (e) Margaret, (f) John E.

The children of John Christopher Ludovick Meinecke and his wife Lydia Collier, were:

1. Nancy, born March 17th, 1799. Married William Hicks. Issue, (a) Elizabeth, m. David Cannon; (b) Lewis, m. Elizabeth Empey; (c) Ellen, m. Joseph Hicks; (d) William H., married Susan McQuoid, (e) Phoebe A., married Thos. Love; (f) Mary J. m. Andrew L. Minaker; (g) Orrin, married Jane Martin.

2. Hannah, born Sept. 12, 1802, married David Hicks. Issue, (a) Lydia, m. Marshall Palen; (b) Etta; (c) Nathman, m. Margaret McIntosh; (d) Mahala; (e) Collingwood, m.antha Starks; (f) Elizabeth, m. David Thomas; (g) Byron; (h) Patience m. Daniel McIntosh.

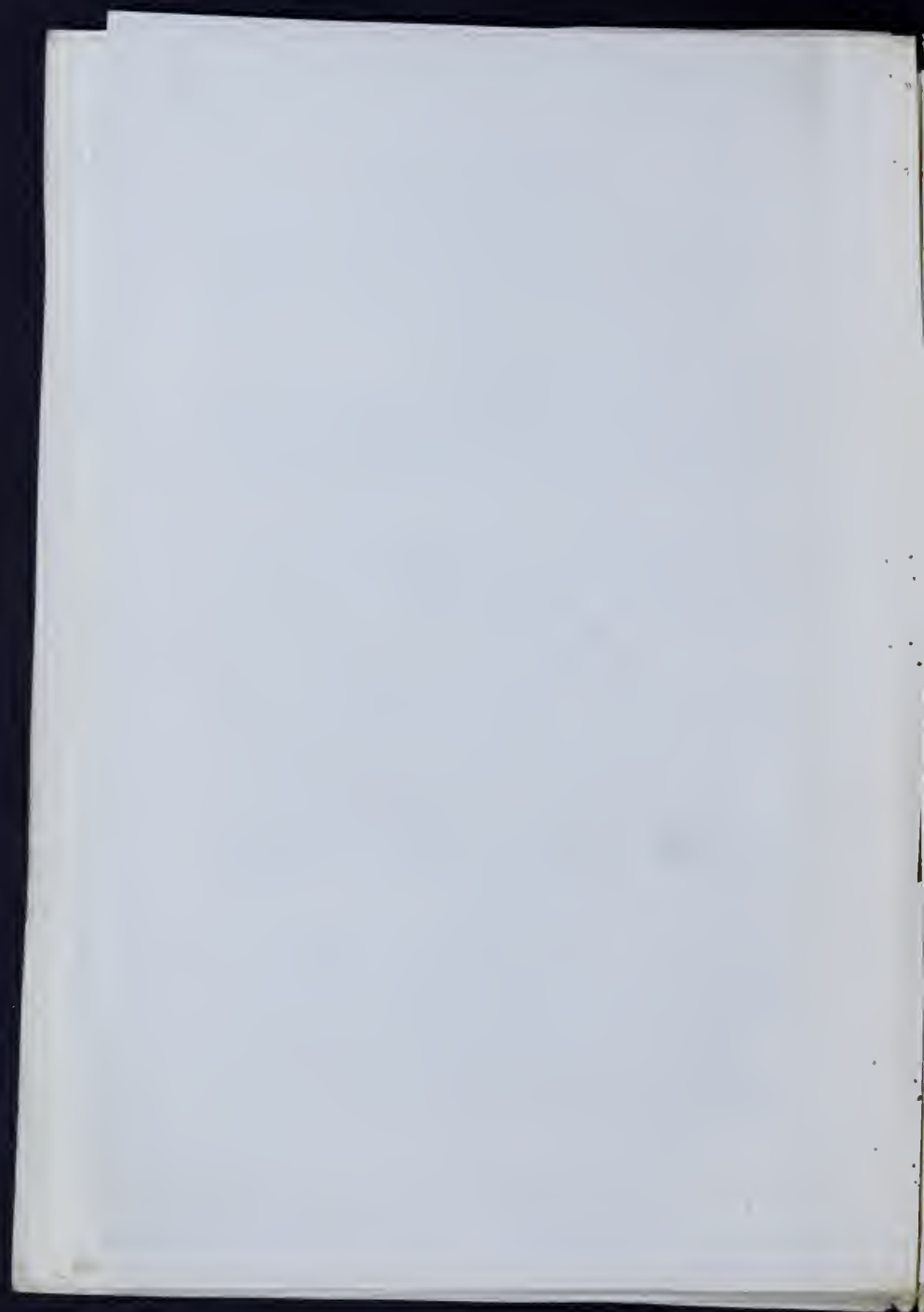
3. Mary, born Nov. 17, 1804, married Joseph Hicks. Issue, (a) Elsie, m. Joseph Lacey; (b) Peter, m. Martha Hill; (c) George, m. Margaret Smiley; (d) Joseph, m. Ellen Hicks; (e) Sylvester; (f) Lydia, m. Charles Lacey; (g) Alva, m. Maria Hudgin; (h) Mary A., m. Thos. Ovens; (i) Calvin, m. Sophrona Burton; (j) Alfred, m. Adelia Hicks.

4. George, born Feb. 13th, 1807, married Susan McGrath. Issue, (a) Elizabeth, (b) Lydia, (c) Mary, (d) Margaret, (e) Hannah, (f) George, (g) Daniel, (h) Edwin, (i) Sarah, (j) Elida, (h) Richard.

5. Peter married Patience Carson. Issue, (a) David, (b) James C., (c) Phoebe, (d) Calvin, (e) Clarissa.

6. Isabella, married James Vandusen, Owen Sound. Issue, (a) Millicent A., (b) Lydia J., (c) Henry, (d) Abram, (e) Conrad, (f) Jacob J., (g) Ernest.

7. William, married Lois Harrison. Issue, (a) Melissa, (b) Lydia, (c) Ann Eliza, (d) Norman, (e) Leslie, (f) Ella.



8. Lewis, married Clara Pierce—lived on homestead. Issue, (a) Levi, (b) Cynthia, (c) Peter, (d) Eliza.

9. Phoebe, married James Rose. Issue, (a) Elizabeth, (b) Peter J., (c) Margaret, (d) Lydia, (e) Albert, (f) Lewis E.

10. Lydia, married Samuel Pierce. Issue, Isabel. Several others drowned at Smith's Bay, July 8, 1866—David J., George A., Patience and William Lewis.

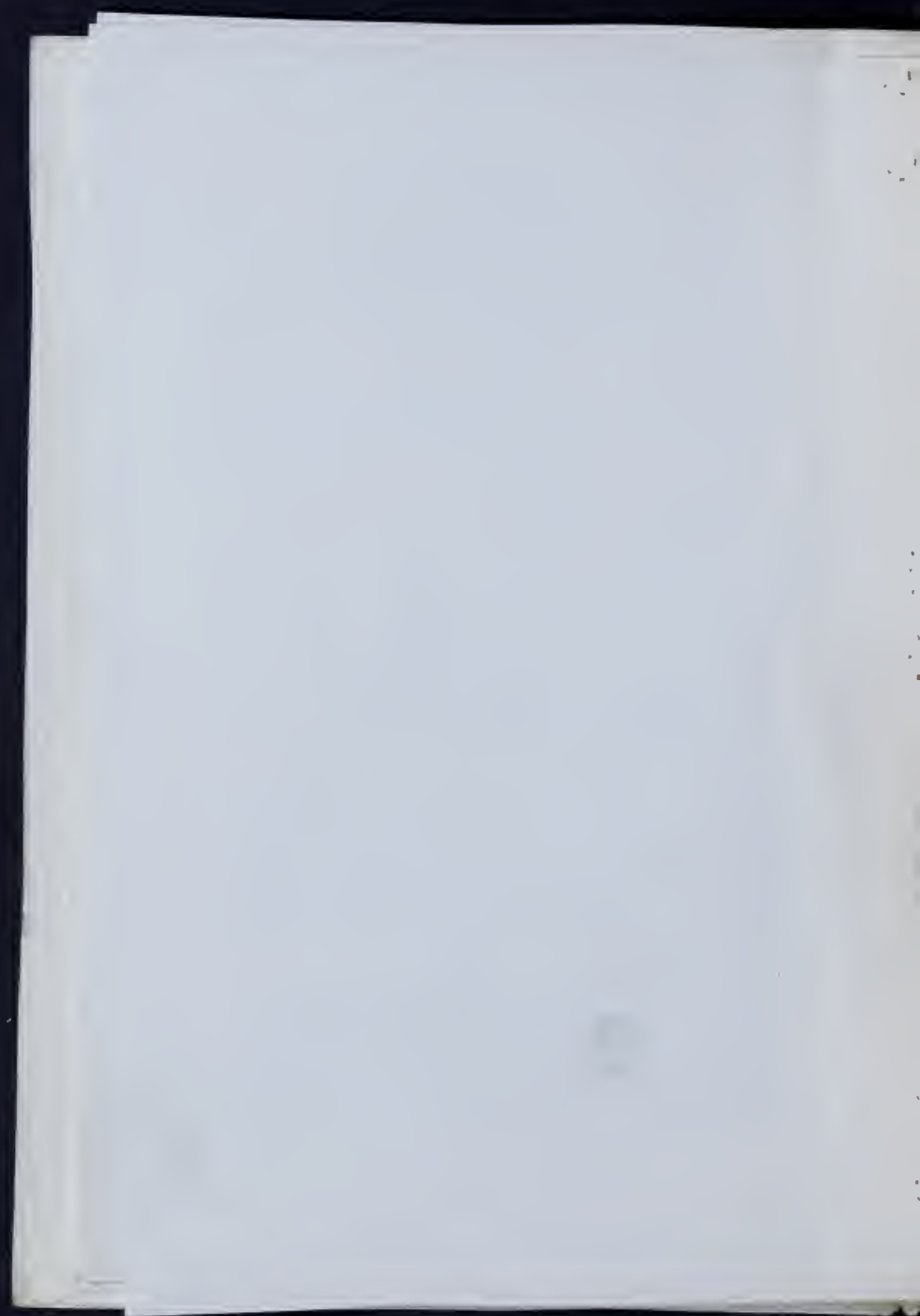
11. Alice, married Jacob Rose. Settled near Owen Sound.

The children of John Christian Andrew Meinecke and his wife, Phoebe Ostrander, were:

I. John Minaker, married (1) Phoebe Vanchief, (2) Martha Welbanks. Issue, 1st (a) Andrew, m. Rachael VanGesen, (b) Jesse, m. Ellen Church, (c) Carrie, m. David Wright, (d) Henry, m. Hester Palmatier, (e) Thomas, m. Christine Thompson, (f) Palen, m. Annie Carrie, (g) Susan, m. Patrick McAuley, (h) George, m. Rosabelle Martin, (2nd) Hannah M. m. George Paul, (i) Lewis m. 1st Addie Ostrander, 2nd Miss Wycott.

II. Sarah Minaker married Thomas Welbanks. Issue, (a) Margaret, married Isaac Striker, (b) Lemira, married James Cannon, M.D., (c) Hamilton, married Sarah Jane Redner, (d) Thomas, married Mary Wright, (e) Andrew, died young, (f) Calvin, married Rebecca Thompson, (g) Hiram, m. 1st Emily Platt, 2nd Hester Blakely, (h) Gertrude, m. Stephen Palen, (i) Emily, married Hiram Ellis, (j) Elvreda, (k) Mary E., m. John Hubbs.

III. Gertrude Minaker married Palen Clark. Issue, (a) Mabel, m. Jehiel Breakenridge, (b) Isabel, m. James Walmsley, (c) Phoebe, married William Walmsley, (d) Sarah, m. Lancelot Nethery, (e) Paul Clarke, m. Elizabeth Welbanks, (f) Susan, m. Benjamin Hawley, (g) Maria, m. Samuel Kennedy, (h) Jemima, m. Thos. Cook Church, (i) Palen, married Mary Richards, (j) Gertrude, m. Francis



McCauley, (k) Andrew, m. 1st Sarah Richards, 2nd Sophia Sweatman.

IV. Lewis Minaker, married Mary A. Adams. Issue, (a) Eliza M. Henry Kirkpatrick, (b) Mary, m. Peter Rose, (c) Andrew, m. Mary J. Hicks, (d) James, m. Ann Chapman, (e) Samuel, m. Harriet MacDonald, (f) Eliphelet, m. Elizabeth Rae, (g) William, M.D., m. 1st Esther Striker, 2nd Elizabeth Cooper, (h) Charles W., m. Catherine McQuoid, (i) Sarah, m. Angus Harrison, (j) Rodman m. 1st Mary Miller, 2nd Hattie Liddell.

V. Samuel Minaker married Maria Austin. Issue, (a) Jemima A., (b) Lucy, (c) Phoebe, (d) Albert, (e) Sanford, (f) Adelia, (g) Sarah Eliza, (h) Emma, (i) Maude, (j) Isaac, (k) John.

VI. Jemima Minaker married Garrett Ackerman. Issue, (a) Samuel, (b) Joseph, (c) Mary Amelia, (d) Benjamin F., (e) Isaac Newton.

VII. Hannah Minaker married 1st Benjamin Blakely, 2nd Lewis Hudgin. Issue, 1st (a) Thomas, (b) Phoebe, (c) Andrew, (d) Eleanora, 2nd, Jemima Hudgin.

VIII. Almira Minaker married Richard Lobb. Issue, (a) William E., Capt., (b) Albert, (c) Marcus, (d) and (e) daughters, (f) Vivian, (g) John.

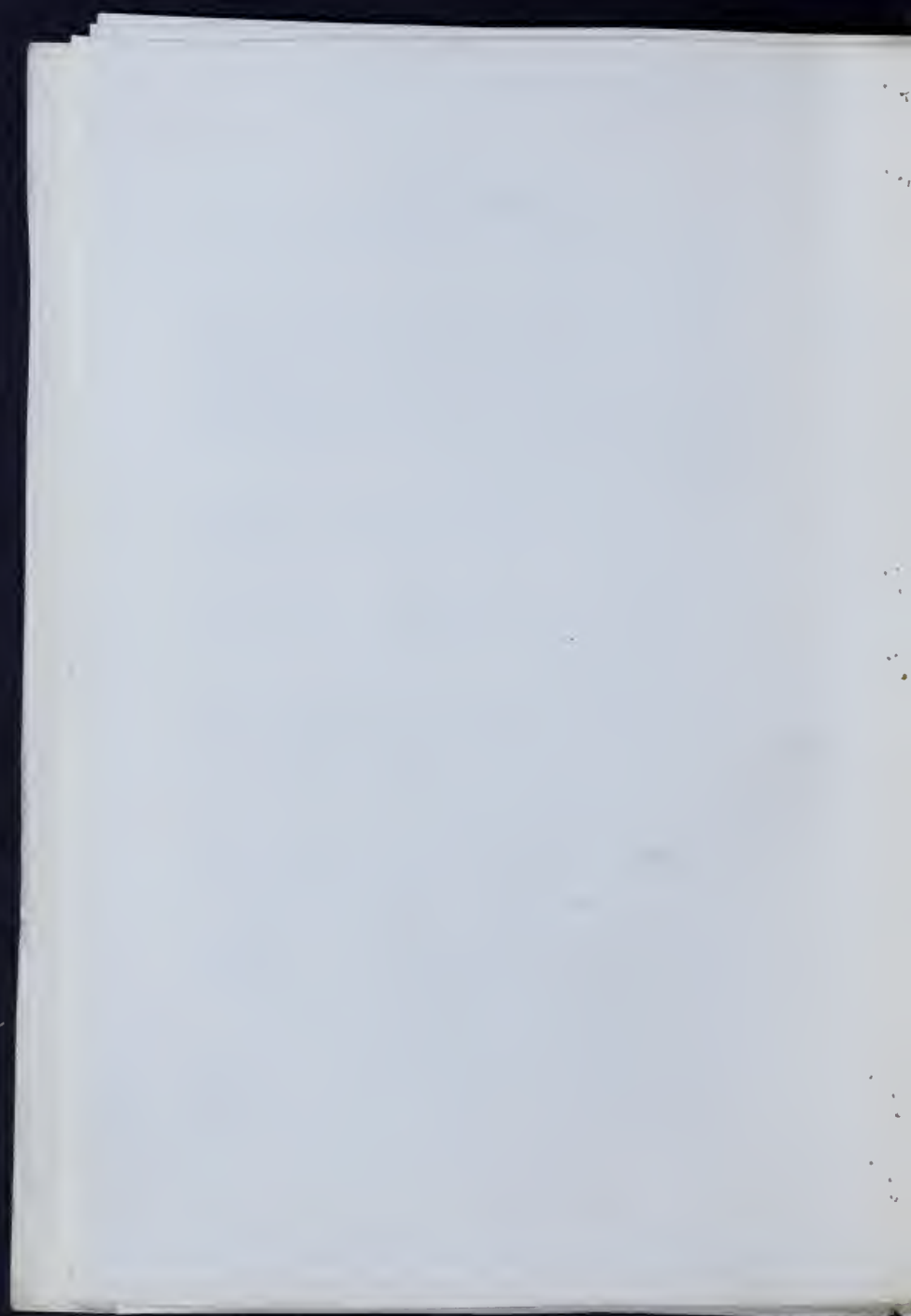
IX. Phoebe Delila Minaker, married George A. Welbanks. Issue, (a) Susan H., (b) George A., (c) Charles, (d) Alice, (e) Agnes, (f) Mary Calista, (g) Adelaide.

X. Andrew Minaker, Capt., married 1st Margaret Church, 2nd Hannah Macdonald. Issue, 1st (a) William, (b) Eliza, (c) James, (d) Mary, 2nd, (e) George, (f) John (g) Walter, (h) Franklin, (i) Nancy, (j) Vinetta.

XI. Isaac, m. Mary Vandewater. No issue. Lived on farm till retired to Pieton, eventually to Wellington where he died.

A fact that is noticeable in the record of this family

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while in Magdeburgh is the very high rate of infant mortality. There is evidence of the family having been of the better social standing among the citizens of Magdeburgh and perhaps even associated with the lesser titled classes. Still the rate of mortality of children under 10 years was about 73% and no evidence of any epidemic is made. In their Marysburgh environment, even with several epidemics, cholera occurring, the increase was better than the average for several generations, and still, where the stock of this pioneer race flourishes a sturdy, healthy and intelligent populace generally respectful of religious, moral and educational institutions, and orderly and loyal citizens are found.

The record of the Meinecke family previous to the settlement in Marysburgh was obtained from a few pages of manuscript written by John Henry William Meinecke in the German language, on several, otherwise blank leaves containing two of the three divisions of a volume of "Gulian's Treasure of the Highest Heavens." This book was carefully preserved in a leather case and evidently considered by its owner a safe repository for the information recorded there, as well as a guide to his children in spiritual matters.

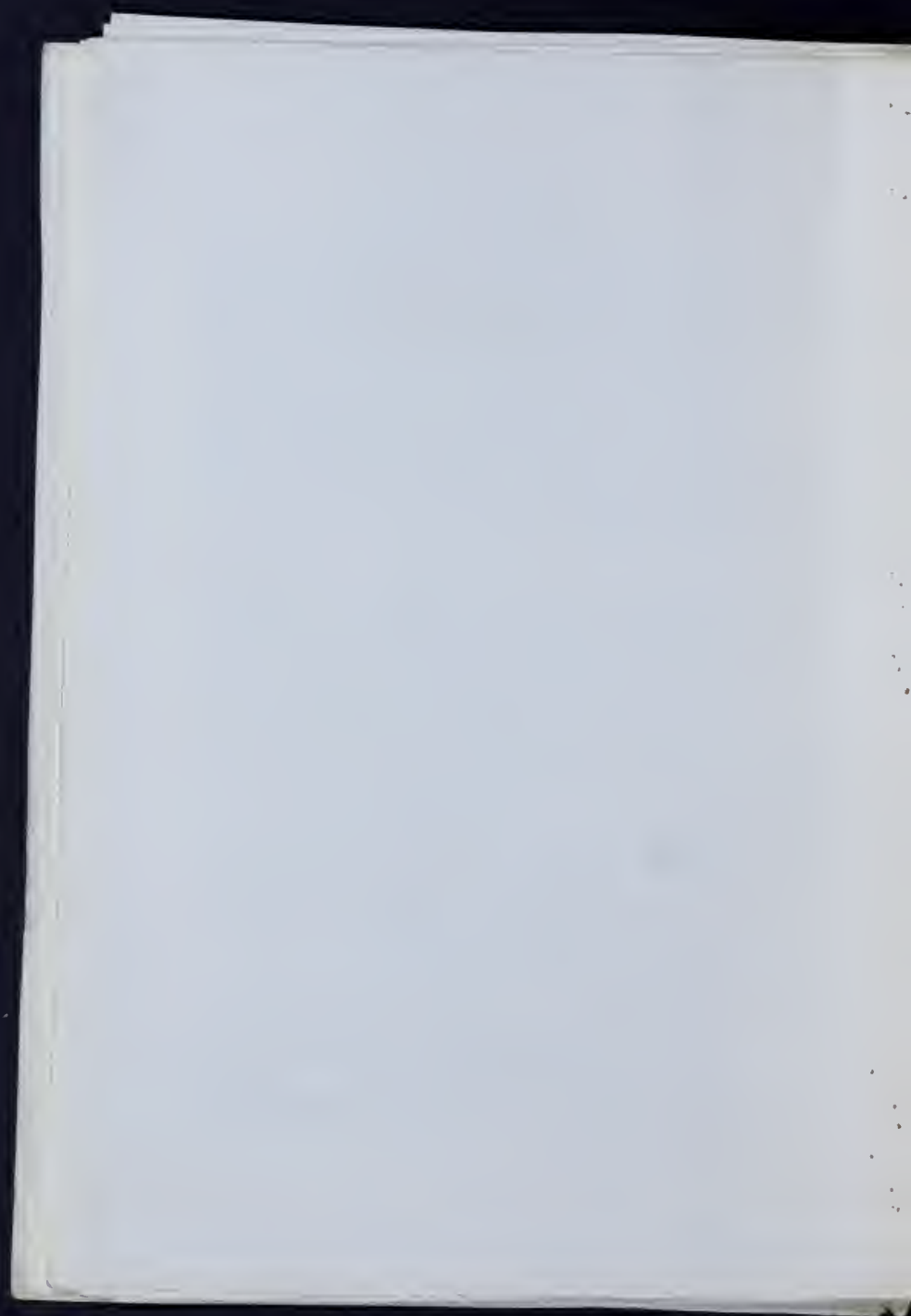
It was composed by three ministers of the Reformed Church (Lutheran) at Paris, and treats of the preparation for the Lord's Supper.

1st, Durant's (Samuel) examination of himself, with his prayers and thanksgivings.

2nd, Earl Drelinecourt's six spiritual devotions on the Lord's Supper.

3rd, John Metsresal's short explanation of the doctrine of the Lord's Supper and how one should prepare himself for it.

The writer found the book at the old Minaker home, a possession of Peter Minaker, son of Lewis Minaker



and Clara Pierce, his wife, in the summer of 1878 when visiting his distant relative. In conversing about the family history and associations with the early days of Marysburgh Mr. Minaker asked if the writer had seen the "Old Dutch Bible" and brought the book to him for examination. While he did not understand the German language, either written or spoken, he could easily discern that it was not a Bible, and on opening to the pages of manuscript could make out the names of the writer and the dates and other indications of the true nature of the family records it contained. In the fall of the same year he happened to be in Trenton and called upon Henry Minaker Hicks, M.A., who was principal of the Collegiate Institute of that town, and in course of our conversation the discovery of the family record was mentioned and at once Mr. Hicks became intensely interested, and suggested that if he could procure the book for a sufficient time he would have it, the manuscript part particularly, translated and give a copy of the translation to the writer and another to Mr. Minaker, the owner.

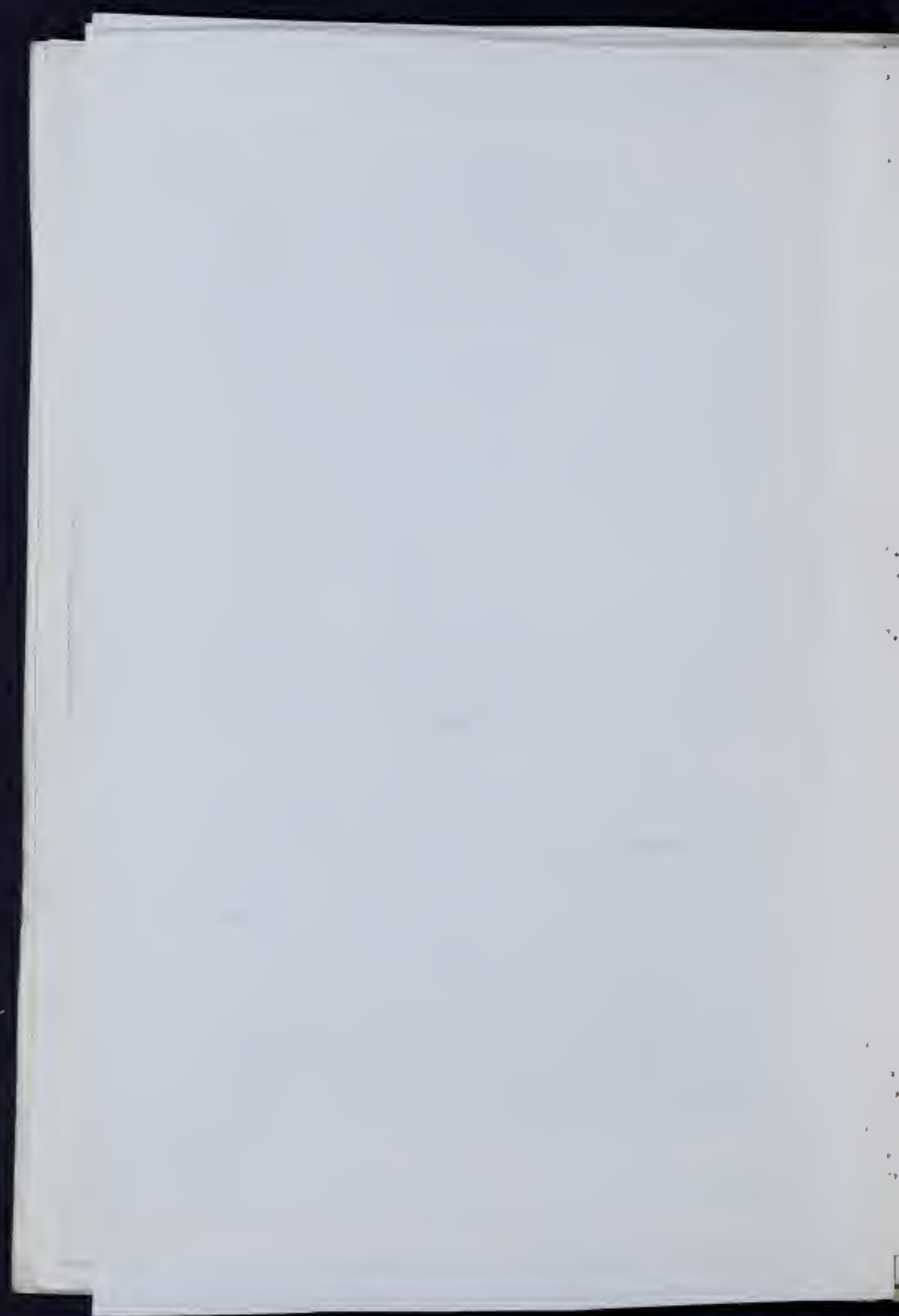
The writer of this narrative of the family history secured the book for Mr. Hicks, and in a letter to him from Mr. Hicks, dated November 19th, 1879, he received a copy of the translated manuscript which contained a record of the birth, marriages and deaths of the writer, John Henry William Meinecke, his father, mother, brother, children, and some of his grandchildren—the children of his son, John Christopher Ludovick, with whom he and his aged wife lived and died 1807 and '8, as before mentioned, on the Marysburgh homestead, Bayside.

Mr. Hicks thought to have the whole context of the book translated by his daughter, Florence, as an exercise in the study of the German language, which she was endeavoring to acquire a knowledge of, but fate decreed it otherwise. The daughter died suddenly shortly after this incident and the broken-hearted parents forsook the pro-



fession of teaching and retired to the obscurity of pioneer life in Haliburton District. Mrs. Hicks was of great assistance to her husband and took her place by his side and assisted in correcting the Latin and Greek exercises of the students of Trenton High School when the writer visited them. She was a Miss German from Wellington. In July, 1898 on an occasion when the writer paid them a visit in their Haliburton home he was told he must go to the woods to find Mr. Hicks, who was engaged in getting out timber for a barn on their farm. He proceeded along a path as directed to where he could hear the sound of the axes at work on the timber and on approaching the location of the chopping he found Henry and Isaiah Hicks, the brothers—Henry score hacking and Isaiah hewing a plate for the building while Henry was quoting from Homer's Iliad and explaining the original Greek to his brother who fought off the black flies while he hewed and hewed, as best he could. H. M. Hicks, M.A., while he was able, frequently supplied the pulpits of the Methodist missions in the district and the Provincial Government in experimental tests of agriculture in the district, and in meteorological records for some years.

In the summer of 1924 the writer and Dr. W. K. Burr visited this Minaker homestead and found on the 2nd hundred acre lot west of the cross-road—in an open field close to the brow of the hill, overlooking the Bay of Quinte, a few marble slabs marking the resting places of the pioneer, John Henry William Meinecke, and his wife, John Frederick William Minaker, his wife Margaret; Frederick Minaker, and his wife, Allie Harrison—and near them the graves of many others with broken tombstones, and some of them covered with stones, evidently gathered from the field and thrown there to be out of the way of the plow and reaper. And evidence of a general desire to remove or cover the places of a place for the burial of the dead. Surely an effort should be made to protect from obliteration the "Frail



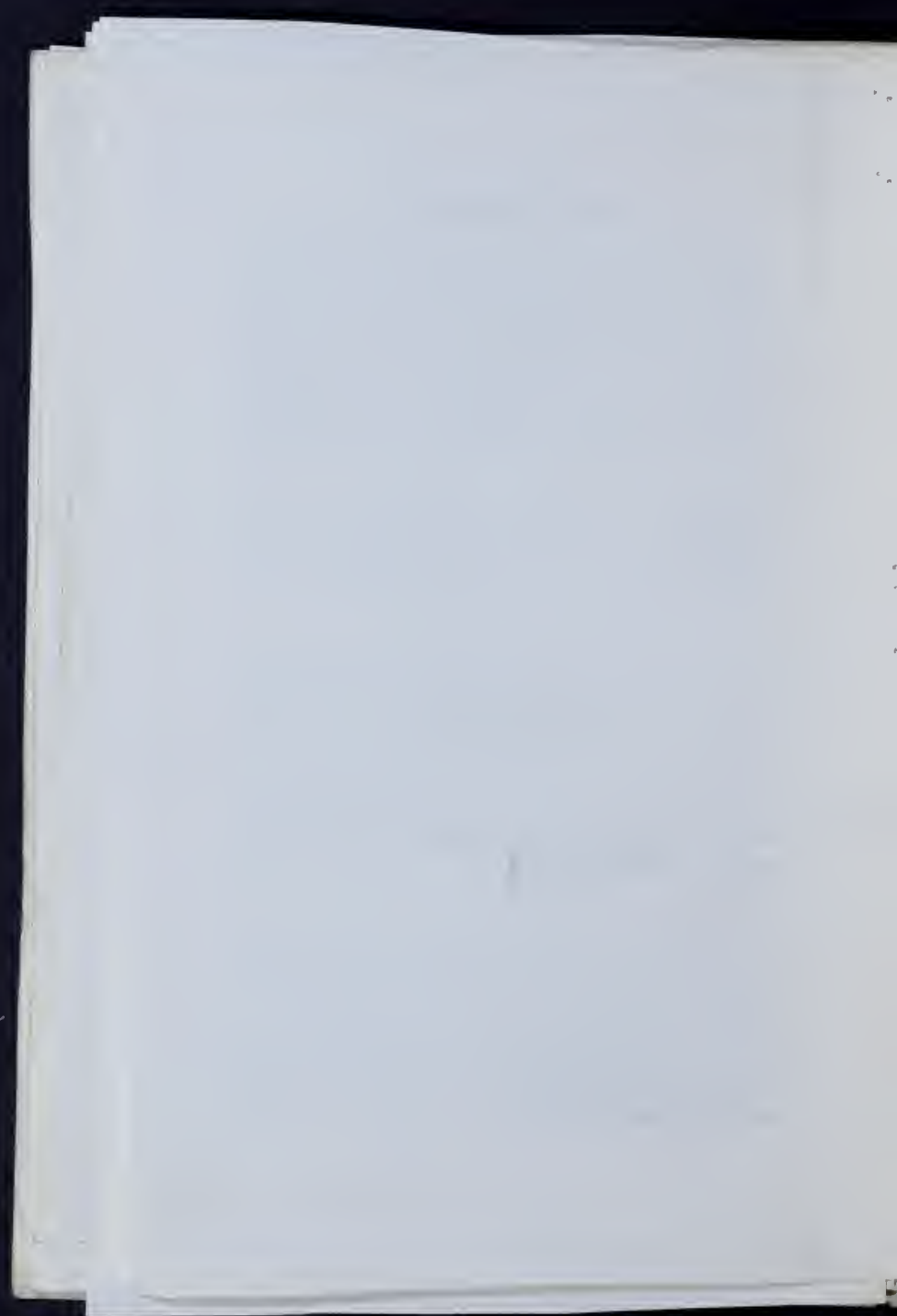
memorials still erected nigh" of these pioneers of Prince Edward. The law of the Province forbids it, and ten cents apiece from the living descendants would cover the cost of clearing up the plot and enclosing the place of the family resting there. Who will take up this matter from among the hundreds who should be interested? At a later visit at this spot a tree that had grown over these graves had been cut down and this seemed to be a hint that more desecration of the place might be expected. Let us hope not.

In this somewhat extended effort to trace the various ramifications of the Meinecke family from their German origin, the anglicising of the name becomes apparent—retaining the long i—the e-i of the German, and in the manner of the English, adding an r (as idear)—Minaker—the prevalent pronunciation is obtained.

The descendants are at present of the sixth and seventh generations and are able with the family's genealogy presented so far herein above to trace their individual descent to the ancestors, John Henry William Meinecke, born in Magdeburgh on the Elbe, in Prussian Germany, Nov. 25th, 1734, wherever the individual may be resident on this continent, and there are many in all parts of the United States, as well as in every province of the Dominion of Canada—but more in Canada, as set forth in the beginning of this narrative of the family history.

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After the foregoing was published I received several letters of grateful commendation for the work entailed and the information recorded in the same. It has led me to conclude that it would have been more satisfactory to interested readers to have had more of Mr. Hicks' letter and his translation of the general manuscript before them, and I will endeavor to supply the most interesting part of the same herewith as follows:



Trenton, Nov. 19, 1879.

A. Rose, Esq., Picton, Ont.:

Dear Sir,—It is now some time since I received the book containing the family record of the Meinecke Family in which we both felt so deep an interest. I could have returned it sooner but as my assistant and I have been pressed with our daily duties, I deferred the translating the manuscript. As you state in your letter some words are so blurred and badly written, especially in the later dates, that it is impossible for anyone to make out the proper names—the context, of course, aids one when translating other words. It is, however, a matter of congratulation that this occurs only in the later dates in which neither of us have more than a passing interest, and most of them are dates of births of individuals now living who may be asked about the matter.

A circumstance connected with this record cannot but be very satisfactory that is the tone of piety and parental affection pervading it from beginning to end. The book is called "John's Treasure of the Highest Heaven," in three parts, etc., etc.

The work is dedicated to the Countess Catharine Thott. If it is desirable to the owners of the book I will translate it and send the translation in manuscript. It would be done as an exercise in translating the language which she is at present learning. You will readily understand that so much work could not be done in less than a year. It will be necessary for me to add a few words of explanation in certain places and these I will put in parenthesis, and I will mark the words of the manuscript with quotation marks.

"John Henry William Meinecke" (This is the name of my great-grandfather and I make no doubt but that he was the author of the whole record as we see no account of any other which took place, I am told, about 1808. I un-



derstand that he is buried in the Minaker Burying Ground on grandfather Meinecke's place, Bayside, Marysburgh.) (The following is some advice to his son—perhaps Uncle Ludovick—Lewis). Lines are drawn under words unnecessary for English.

"Dear Son,—In this book you will find your duty to God in the Lord's Supper. Keep it in the fear of God and you will be rewarded. Ponder well the words of 1st John, second chapter, 6th verse. 1st Timothy, 6th chapter, 11 to 16 verses. Read also prayerfully and in love.

God gave us His Holy Spirit and His rich blessing you have by baptism and love for time and eternity."

Then follows the items of the family record as given in article of September 29th, 1927 in The Times.

"On the last page but one in the book is the following: The public belief I must have in Christ: I bear witness and vow at the present time before God and His Holy Son and this Christian congregation that I here joyfully, willingly and heartily, bound by my baptismal vows and consecrated to God in baptism * * * to remain in this Catholic (universal) religion to live and die in such (therein) through my whole life, God helping me.

(On the last page) Grace, Thanks, Goodness, give to God towards my neighbor and toward myself. Also the love, the praise and power of God and His Holy Spirit in Christ Jesus, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

And my dear children, live for Him that we may be free and have right to His glory and shall appear hereafter in heaven. Dear brothers we shall be with Him in the end."

(Signed)

—H. M. Hicks.

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With the contents of the above letter before us it is enlightening to one who contemplates the conditions of



religious matters among the pioneers of the Bay of Quinte shores. As stated in the issue of *The Times*, September 29th, 1927, these German settlers of Marysburgh built the first church in the township and engaged in worship according with the reformed Lutheran Church and continued regularly for some time these services until the increased immigration from the United States of Loyalists and loyal sympathizers of the prevailing Methodist persuasion who, under the direction of their leaders, Darius Dunham and William Case, began the organization of classes and preaching appointments in the homes of the pioneers immediately after the settlement in 1784. It can be easily understood how men with such strong religious faith as is expressed in John Henry William Meinecke's advice and instructions to his children, could readily fall in with the energetic efforts of the pioneers of Methodism and co-operate in the building of the first congregations of active Protestantism in the settlements, and how it was that the H v Bay Church came into existence so early as 1792, and then the church at Adolphustown and the Conger Chapel at Haltonville, under the influence of a coalescing population composed of the disbanded soldiery of the Revolutionary War and their families, the U. E. Loyalist civilians, their families and dependents, and how followed naturally the forsaking of the old Lutheran Church of squared logs that finally disappeared from the site on the Rose homestead. The writer remembers seeing in his earliest years the fine, gentlemanly looking old grandson of this pioneer of German birth—Charles Minaker, (son of John Frederick William Meinecke,) who came to Milford to quarterly meeting from the Bayside home of the Minakers, and whose life left everywhere the impression that Christian faith was the influence that provided the motive of his daily life. The writer's mother, now (1933) in her 100th year, remembers visiting with her sister Eliza, and her cousin Phoebe A. Hicks—afterwards wife of Thomas Love, when girls at "Uncle Ludovick's" at the original home near the Bongard homestead, and wit-



nessing the family worship before retiring for the night, when "Uncle Ludovick" sang the evening hymn for them in "Dutch." She also remembers old "Uncle Ludovick" and Aunt Lydia coming to Milford (12 miles) to quarterly meeting which must have been about 1842-5 and visiting at her parents' home, the Lewis Minaker homestead, a mile east of Milford. That the strong religious influences of the faith of these men was a power in those days can be attested to by many of those who have in their early days worshipped at the family altars of their grandchildren—Aunt Gitty Clark, South Bay, never neglected her family altar while her strength enabled her to read her Bible and kneel about her breakfast table. Her earnest prayers come back in our memory as a hallowing influence to this day. She learned to pray at the family altar of her parent, John Christian Andrew Minaker, at the family homestead, South Bay.

We could recall many of those saintly persons whose inspiration was derived from the strong faith illustrated in the daily lives of the people of those days. For a century the fire of the family altar never failed at the Rose homestead and there were many such homes in Marysburgh, among the Minakers, the Bongards, the Sniders, the Wrights, the Williams, the Tobeys, the Burrs, the Harrisons, the Vandusens, the Hicks, the Welbanks, the Grimmons, the Huffs, the Cars, the McCornocks, the Millers, the Burleys, and many other families with whom the writer is less familiar.



Ackerman 12

Adams 12

Austin 12

Blakely 11.12

Bongard 9.14.20

Breakenridge 11

Burley 20

Burns 20

Burr 15

Burton 10

Cannon 10.11

Carr 20

Carson 10

Case 19

Chapman 12

Church 11².12

Clark 11.20

Cole 9

Collier 8.10

Cooper 8.12

Currie 11

Dunham 19

Ellis 11

Empey 10

German 15

Grimmon 20

Harrison 9².10.12.15.20

Hawley 11

Hicks 3.4.10⁷.12.14.15².16
18.19.20

Hill 9.10

Hubbs 11

Hudgen 10.12

Huff 20

Kennedy 11

Kirkpatrick 12

Lacey 10²

Lavalle 3.7.9

Liddell 12

Lobb 12

Love 10.19

McAuley 11.12

McBarnock 20

Macdonald 12²

McGrath 20

McIntosh 10²

McQuoid 12

Martin 10.11

Miller 12.20

Minaker 10

Nithery 11
Orloff 3.5
Ostrander 8.11²
Ovens 10

Palen 10.11
Palmer 11
Paul 11
Pierce 11².14
Platt 11

Rae 12
Redner 11
Richards 11.12
Rose 9.11².12.17

Smiley 10
Smider 20
Starks 10
Striker 11.12
Sweetman 12

Thomas 10
Thompson 11²
Tobey 20
Turner 9
Vachef 11
Vandewater 12

Tandusen 10.20
Tan Gisen 11

Walmsley 11²
Washburn 7
Welbanks 11³.12.20
Williams 20
Wright 11²
Wycott 11.20

